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PREMIER ACCUSES VON RIBBENTROP

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Oct. 26 (UP).—The guilt of war must rest squarely on the shoulders of Hitler and his Nazi leaders, declared Mr. Chamberlain in the House of Commons to-day.

The Prime Minister commented disdainfully on the German Foreign Minister's speech in Danzig on Tuesday, and said that it was replete with distortions of the truth.

He expressed the hope that the German people would come to realise all the circumstances involved.

History, he said, would judge how far von Ribbentrop has failed to comprehend either the British policy or the British people.

"If the German Foreign Minister's assertion is correct, that Germany is determined to resist to the utmost, there can be but one reply—and we are prepared to give it," Mr. Chamberlain declared amid ringing cheers from the entire House.

IN THE HOUSE OF LORDS

HALIFAX LAUGHS AT RIBBENTROP

LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Lord Halifax, the British Foreign Secretary, speaking on the international situation in the House of Lords to-day, referred to the speech made by Herr von Ribbentrop and said he had never seen a more clumsy attempt to divide England and France.

That seemed to be the main purpose of the speech. And never had confidence between France and Britain been more complete and intimate than it was to-day.

The speech left him with the conviction that, however, unsuccessful Herr von Ribbentrop had been in understanding the British people in his speech, he was successful in understanding the joint mind of Britain and France (Cheers).

Would Be Amusing

The spectacle of an innocent Germany frightened by the dangers of an attack by Poland, and only a short time ago by Czechoslovakia, and the victim of sinister plotting by Britain, if the whole matter was not so serious, bring smiles to the lips of gods and men.

Replying to the suggestion that British trade relations with Russia should be restored, Lord Halifax said that to have a balanced picture of the whole situation it must be remembered that the recent Soviet reaction in the Baltic had caused anxiety not only to quarters immediately concerned, and the situation created was not by any means wholly clear.

Finnish-Soviet Doubts

It was certainly, by no means clear at present what the precise position was in the negotiations between Soviet and Finland.

"It certainly is not clear what the reaction in certain circles will be in the Scandinavian countries and outside if a deadlock in those negotiations should be reached," said Lord Halifax.

"As far as we are aware, there should be no conflict of interest between the Soviet and Finland that is not capable of adjustment, and the British Government hoped that the discussions now proceeding would be brought to reasonable conclusions."

TWO POCKET CRUISERS NOW IN THE ATLANTIC

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Well-informed circles state that it now seems likely that two German pocket-battleships the Admiral von Scheer and the Deutschland, are operating in the Atlantic.

Prince Comes of Age



FATHER AND SON IN UNIFORM.—Crown Prince Michael of Rumania, photographed with his father, King Carol. Prince Michael came of age this week.

Liberal Leader Seeks Friendship Of Soviet

LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Major C. R. Attlee, leader of the Opposition, said he was glad to hear that they were grappling with the submarine menace.

It would be a mistake to crow too soon, but at the present stage they were entitled to say that they were holding the menace in check.

Referring to the speech made by Herr von Ribbentrop, Major Attlee said it struck him as a fairly complete exposure of Herr von Ribbentrop himself, and was not worth following up.

If the speech was to end peace suggestions, they would have to face it, but they could not be deterred from doing their duty by any threats.

"We stand, as we always stood, for peace, but it must be a real peace based on principle," said Major Attlee.

"Whether there is peace or not rests with the German people. I hope that in due course they will tell Herr von Ribbentrop and the rest that they want peace."

Woo Russia, Is Urged

Sir Archibald Sinclair, the Liberal Leader, stated that the Liberals supported the Prime Minister's attitude regarding the speech made by Herr von Ribbentrop, and urged that they should not allow their relations with Russia to stagnate in the present unsatisfactory, and even dangerous, position.

Particularly in the commercial field progress ought to be made. If Russia be compelled to work out her own destiny in collaboration with the Germans, doubtless she would be able to do so.

But the British Government ought, by vigorous initiative, to open a commercial field, and secondly, in the diplomatic field, to convince the Soviet Government that the interests of Russia and the general interest of mankind in order, peace and reconstruction in Europe would best be served by the earliest possible achievement of understanding and collaboration between the governments of Russia and those of Great Britain and France.

REICH TO ROB SAVINGS TO FINANCE WAR

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Oct. 26 (UP).—It is understood that the Government intends to mobilise savings bank deposits and insurance company funds "to a certain extent" to finance war measures.

CITY OF FLINT

AMERICAN DEMAND TO SOVIET Want Release Of Seized Ship

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26 (UP).—Secretary of State Cordell Hull to-day disclosed that United States has sent a demand to Russia for the release of the City of Flint and her cargo to her American crew.

He indicated that similar strong representations are being made to Berlin.

Further he disclosed that the United States Ambassador to Moscow has been authorised to send United States officials to Murmansk to determine first hand exactly what transpired.

Ship Released Report

MOSCOW, Oct. 26 (UP).—A broadcast communiqué to-day said the City of Flint has been released and ordered to leave immediately.

However, it was not indicated whether the vessel would be released with a German prize crew or her own regular American crew.

Another report said the Soviet Government has ordered the City of Flint's release, supposedly with a German prize crew aboard, and that the ship has been ordered to sail immediately from Murmansk.

Repeated Demands

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—The United States has made several demands to the Soviet Government to release the City of Flint with her crew and cargo, according to an announcement made by Mr. Cordell Hull to-day.

No reply has yet been received although the United States Ambassador has had two interviews with the Vice-Commissioner of Foreign Affairs.

Germany's Intention

BERLIN, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Germany intends to institute prize-court proceedings against the City of Flint, as indicated in an official statement, which claims that the vessel was "rightly and legally detained."

TELEPHONE MYSTERY

Germany Cut Off From Neighbours

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Telephone communications with Germany have been interrupted since noon.

The reason is unknown. It is learned from Brussels that telephone communication between Belgium and Germany is also interrupted.

Telephone communications between Germany and Scandinavia is also interrupted.

Interruptions appear to be due to the stiffening of censorship. Telegraphic communications are open.

BRITAIN BUYING EGYPT'S COTTON

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CAIRO, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—It is understood that the British and Egyptian Governments have concluded an agreement whereby Britain will purchase one and three-quarter million cantars of cotton.

The price remains to be settled. The Government has agreed that it is unnecessary for Britain to buy the whole Egyptian crop.

SNOW FALLS ON WESTERN FRONT

Bitterly Cold Weather Ends Possibility of Major Action

PARIS, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Snow is now falling behind certain sections of the Maginot Line, and bitterly cold weather and heavy rain are preventing any major action on the Western Front.

Another unsuccessful German attempt was made on Wednesday to drive the French from the hill-tops overlooking the Warndt Forest.

Fifty Germans in a raid east of the Moselle were repulsed without any Germans reaching the French lines.

Heavy German Losses

It is now estimated that the Germans lost between 2,000 and 3,000 men during attacks on Monday last week.

The French had already withdrawn the bulk of their troops and the German losses were due to the fire of French artillery covering the withdrawal of the outposts.

The Nazi Government is apparently hesitating.

On Wednesday night and to-day, Hitler had long conferences with the leaders of the Army and the Air Force.

This morning he also saw Field Marshal Goering and later they were joined by General Walther von Brauchitsch, head of the Army, and General Keitel, Chief of Staff.

This may be the prelude to another German offensive (German troops are still reported to be moving up) or it may be an indication of Hitler's supreme perplexity.

Units In Encounters

PARIS, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—A communiqué issued to-day stated: "There have been encounters of contact units and reciprocal artillery actions on various points on the front."

German Forces Concentrating From North Sea To Swiss Border

PARIS, Oct. 26 (Reuter).

Big concentrations of German troops and planes, and incessant movements of material are taking place along the German North Sea coast from Emden to the mouth of the Ems, and past Bremen as far as the mouth of the Elbe.

These movements are also noticeable near the Swiss border, according to the "Amsterdam Telegram."

France Rounds Up The Spies

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Charles Boes, former councillor of the Bas-Rhin Department, has been sentenced to death by court-martial on a charge of delivering important military secrets to German espionage agents.

A man named Lobstein, charged with espionage, was also sentenced to death, while three other spies were sentenced to five years hard labour.

FINNISH OPTIMISM

M. Tanner Returning To Moscow

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINKI, Oct. 26 (UP).—The Minister of Finance, M. Tanner, told the press that he expects to return to Moscow next Sunday evening.

He said that he remained optimistic. "The case has gone forward a bit," he added.

He described the Kremlin sessions as being cordial and friendly, with M. Stalin doing most of the talking for the Soviet side.

M. Tanner does not expect to make any additions to the delegation.

Finland Cannot Yield

HELSINKI, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—The Finnish Foreign Office spokesman says that the Soviet demands include certain points on which Finland cannot yield.

No indication of what these demands are is given, but the Finnish Foreign Minister reiterates that Finland is determined to maintain her independence.

The Finnish delegation to Moscow will not leave Helsinki until the government has fully considered the Soviet demands and decided on the course to adopt.

Meanwhile, besides laying mines, Finnish defence measures include a blackout which will be held in Helsinki to-morrow.

Finnish Preparedness

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINKI, Oct. 26 (UP).—As a further strengthening of Finland's defence preparations, an official decree was issued to-day placing all monetary transactions with foreign countries under the control of the State Bank.

The decree further prohibited exports from Finland in exchange for foreign currency with the exception of certain specified conditions.

Citizens with money in bank accounts or claims abroad have been ordered to surrender such to the Bank of Finland within eight days, while payments for goods bought abroad must be effected through the State Bank.

LATEST

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CARGO SHIP SINKS U-BOAT IN GUN DUEL

LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—A cargo ship sank a U-boat after a desperate shell duel, according to the story told to the "South Wales Argus" by an officer of the ship.

The U-boat came up to the surface almost under the ship's starboard bow when the crew were dining.

After a duel, in which the ship was not hit, the U-boat dived, re-emerging three miles away.

U-Boat Wreck Found

LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—The Admiralty announces that the wrecked wreck of a U-boat was found to-day on the Goodwin Sands.

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Pointing The Pistol

Veiled Nazi Threat To Neutrals

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Germany is publicly adopting the standpoint that neutral countries are really neutral only if they maintain their exports to the Reich's pre-war level, states the Berlin correspondent of the "Hindenburg".

While Germany admits that Holland is unable to disregard the British blockade by continuing deliveries of the pre-war level, circles in Berlin, according to this correspondent, take the view that she must do her utmost in this respect and refrain from submitting without more ado to Britain's wishes.

30 Neutral Ships Sunk

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Since the outbreak of war, Germany has sunk at least 30 neutral ships and four are now being expressed for two more.

One of them is four months overdue and the other has been missing for a fortnight.

They both flew the Netherlands flag and were plying between neutral ports, the former from Sweden to Amsterdam, and the latter from Antwerp to Riga.

He Admired Hitler— Once

MR. H. R. KNICKERBOCKER, who has been "blowing the gaff" on the Nazis for some time, at one time an enthusiastic admirer of Herr Hitler. He thought a great deal, too, of Franco, and believed that he would walk straight through to Madrid.

But he changed his mind about both the dictators when he saw them at work in the Spanish civil war.

He was one of the first writers to discover Soviet Russia and Nazi Germany as subjects for best-sellers. His assumptions are based sometimes on false premises. But he is a good journalist, his books are written without passion and without prejudice, and he handles statistics easily.

IN MANY LANDS

He has travelled through the length as well as the vast breadth of Soviet Russia. And once he put on the rags of a homeless wanderer to find out for himself the real conditions in the worst lands in Berlin.

He reported the Abyssinian war, and last year he was in China. He gave me an interesting account of his overland journey to England from Shanghai via Japan, Vladivostok and the trans-Siberian railway.

The Japanese confiscated all his Chinese books.

The Russians seized his Japanese books.

The Poles made short work of his Russian books.

And by the time he got to Warsaw all he had left was an English copy of the Bible.

RED-HAIRED

MR. Knickerbocker looks younger than his 51 years. He has vividly red hair, is shrewd and serious, and when he forms his views it takes a war of revolution to change them.

He is married and he has two very small girls, whom he calls the Barmale and the Lady.

Lord Horder Urges Cremation

LONDON, (UP).—One crematorium, you would save the space equal to one football ground at present being taken up by cemeteries, declared Lord Horder the king's physician, in an address to members of the Cremation Society at Southsea. He predicted that in 25 years there would be at least 250 crematoriums in Britain.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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The Annual General Meeting of the above Association will be held in the Board Room, South China Morning Post, Ltd., on Friday, November 10th at 6.15 p.m.

Business: Annual Report and Statement of Accounts. Election of Officers. Recommendations to Incoming Committee.

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Hon. Secretary.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 30th day of October, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in a/c. feet	Area in a/c. feet	Ann. Rent	Upset Price
1	4187	Kowloon Island	Between Kowloon Island and Lot No. 1517 & 2340. Ma Tau Chung Road. Ma Tau Chung.	as per sale plan.	1,100	\$100	\$2,200

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2	4194	Kowloon Island	Between Kowloon Island and Lot No. 1517 & 2340. Ma Tau Chung Road. Ma Tau Chung.	as per sale plan.	1,100	\$100	\$2,200

NEW POLISH ARMY IS REVIEWED

PARIS, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—General Sikorski, the new Polish Premier, on Wednesday inspected the Polish Legion which is now being trained to take its place besides the British and French armies.

Several thousand men marched past him in review.

When General Sikorski came to the entrance to the camp, a private came to attention and saluted. General Sikorski returned the salute and then, stopped forward and shook hands with the private. The private was his old friend, M. Lipinski, the Polish Ambassador in Berlin until war broke out.



Douglas Fairbanks Jr. and Lionel Atwill represent the opposite extremes of government—unlimited regimentation vs. individualism—in their current Universal picture, "The Sign of the Cross." (The first American picture selected for the Blackpool Conference, London, 1939). Fairbanks' eventual conquest of Atwill supplies much of the tension and excitement in this story of the British Colonial Civil Service.

Racing Review

(By "Capt. Foster")

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fred, who finished behind Chiltern. I am inclined to think that the mare is still a greenhorn. Going up the bank, I noticed that the jockey had to go to the wind, and it was after a little coaxing that she got hold of the bit. The mare was not prominent when the field came round the bend, but Winfred was soon among the front rank after passing the distance post and she went under by three-quarters of a length. It should be borne in mind that it was her third outing and the trip over a course from the two mile post, once round and in, was a first one, the winner being 1.55 and the last mile was in 1.40.

Ballarat Handicap

A GREAT Time piloted by Mr. Encarnacion failed once again to score a win in the Ballarat Handicap for "C" class Australian ponies, but I raise my hat to a Roaring Time and Mr. "Vic" Needa, securing the first position in the race.

We all know that A Roaring Time had performed a few decent gallops during the early morning, but nobody would deny that this brown gelding had also a "kink." It was after a sequence of three unplaced outings that A Roaring Time came into his own, and with the assistance of Mr. Needa's gift of patience with "stickers," as they are called, the combination romped home first in the Ballarat Handicap.

Judging by the returns issued by the racing Club there was no doubt a great punt being placed on the gelding because it was ridden by a Shanghai jockey, who generally has a public following, or perhaps the punters were "in the know." The amazing part was that A Roaring Time was considered by the man in the stable to be a better animal than the stable companion A Great Time, and the former paid only \$26.10 for a win.

THRILLING FINISH

AT any rate the most thrilling finish of the afternoon was seen in this event, when the issue was fought out by five ponies, in fact, a blanket could have covered them.

There were 10 runners. The field moved off quickly when the tape shot upwards, and it was certainly a credit to the starter. Mr. Follis, who was leading the pack at the Royal Navy Pavilion, and was followed by Strathcarrick, Daffin Bay, A Great Time and the rest in the rear. After passing the Hongkong Football Club stand, A Great Time and A Great Time, and at this juncture Pumpernickel dropped to third position. I thought that was the end of the last named pony, but over the hill, Pumpernickel rallied again after a fine breather, and Mr. Jensen's candidate was once again in the picture.

Coming down the hill Strathcarrick was not going too well and the mare was losing ground. There were at least six ponies well together coming round the corner and the first to catch my eyes was Daffin Bay, whose colours (pink; green hooves) could not be mistaken at a distance.

ANXIOUS MOMENTS

AT the head of the home stretch Pumpernickel, A Great Time and Amber II took up the challenge, and they gave the leader some anxious moments. Daffin Bay did not respond with his usual burst of speed when pressed by Mr. Black. Meanwhile, A Roaring Time came with a late run, which was one of Mr. Needa's usual spectacular finishes, but it was enough to give him a heart attack. Despite two lengths' handicap at the distance post or thereabout, A Roaring Time responded brilliantly to Mr. Needa's vigorous riding, and he ran past Pumpernickel and A Great Time, the latter being half a length, the same with the second and third ponies.

Daffin Bay and Amber II were very close up, and I now see from the Official Results that Daffin Bay was given fourth, Mr. Dunbar's candidate could not have lost the

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Wednesday's sales: 11,700,000 bushels.

Chicago Corn

July	53 1/4
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Oct.	60 5/8

Winnipeg Wheat

Dec.	71 1/2/70	70 1/2/70
May	71 1/2/70	70 1/2/70
July	71 1/2/70	70 1/2/70

FAREWELL MARX!

Capitalism On March Again In Russia

PARIS, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—The Soviet Government is preparing for a sensational surprise for the 22nd Anniversary of the revolution on November 7, according to a Moscow report.

This report states that decrees are being drafted to permit holding free land, private farms, free inland trade and private industrial enterprises.

The latter would not be permitted to employ more than 50 workers each.

Japan National Athletic Meet

Tokyo, Oct. 26.

Under the chairmanship of Prince Chichibu, younger brother of the Emperor, 34,000 athletes from all parts of the Empire will take part in the 10th annual national sports festival, at the Meiji Shrine Stadium and 34 other places in the country on Sunday.

Sponsored by the Ministry of Public Welfare, the meets will last for six days. The Emperor will personally attend the meet in Tokyo on Thursday—Domei.

third position by more than a neck, and Amber II was not very far behind. It was certainly a grand finish and all the jockeys deserved a bouquet.

Connaught Handicap

MR. G. Trevorton, who piloted a Lovely Star to victory in the Connaught Handicap (second section) for "C" class China ponies, was the only apprentice rider in a field of six runners, and it was the boy's first win of the season. This time, however, he was a "kept-over" and he was "kept-over" Derby candidate since 1936.

A salient feature of the success was the master stroke in which the novice slipped through the hands of more experienced jockeys, and when they realised that Lovely Star had established a terrible lead, it was then too late to open up full speed ahead.

Lovely Star made the running at the release of the gate, and going up the Black Rock he had many times faster than the hill, the other runners began to wake up, but Lovely Star was never headed, and he won emphatically by two good lengths.

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desired and plotted for war is known by the whole world to be untrue. "No government ever sought more ardently to avoid war or took greater risks to preserve peace than did the government of this country."

Content To Be Judged

After declaring that the Government had already published the essential documents of the war, Mr. Chamberlain said: "We are content to be judged by the facts and to know that the verdict of the great majority of neutral observers is in our favour."

Mr. Chamberlain recalled that Sir Neville Henderson, the Ambassador to Germany, had referred to the encouragement given Hitler by Herr von Ribbentrop, who had apparently advised him up to the last moment that Britain would not fight.

"Yet this is the man who now asserts that the whole object of Britain and Poland since 1933 has been to convert a war against Germany," said Mr. Chamberlain.

"Future historians will have to consider how far the great tragedy of our time is due to the failure of Herr von Ribbentrop to comprehend the policy or the character of the British people."

"Herr von Ribbentrop desires, it seems, to invite Soviet Russia to join a crusade against the British Empire." (Ironical laughter).

Soviet Envoy Amused

Mr. Chamberlain recalled Herr von Ribbentrop's address when he first came to England in 1936 in which he said: "The Fuehrer is convinced that there is only one real danger to Europe, and that is the British Empire as well, and that is the spreading of Communism, this most terrible of all diseases (loud laughter)—terrible because people generally, seem to realise its danger only when it is too late."

In the laughter which ensued following this pronouncement, Mr. Ivan Mikoy, the Russian Ambassador to London, also joined.

Mr. Chamberlain added: "The positive conclusion which we apparently are asked to draw from Herr von Ribbentrop's speech is that the German Government have made a choice which, as I stated on October 12 last before them. He has announced their intention of seeing the struggle through with all their energy and strength."

Only One Reply

"If that indeed is their decision, there can be but one reply, and we are prepared to give it."

He is not England that has challenged Germany. It is the German Government who, by persistent acts of aggression, pursued in the face of our repeated warnings, have forced us at last reluctantly to take up arms. It is the German Government who, by the use of force, have disarmed the words and the rights and liberties of other peoples, must bear the responsibility for this war, and for all its consequences."

Soviet Paper And Neutrality Bill

MOSCOW, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—The first Russian newspaper comment on the United States Senate debate on the Neutrality Bill is made by the newspaper "Red Star."

The journal attacks the proposed changes which, it claims, are due to reactionary circles which want to turn the war in Western Europe into a world war.

DANES INTERN NAZI PLANE

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Danish authorities today confiscated a German pursuit plane which landed in Northern Schleswig after the pilot had lost his way.

The pilot and crew are interned.

The pursuit plane was from the "Red Devil Squadron," a continuation of the famous Richtofen squadron of the last war.

Author Becomes War Correspondent

LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—M. Andre Maurois, the well-known author and writer, is one of the army of French war correspondents who have now arrived at the British Army Headquarters in France.

King Sees Shells Manufactured

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".—LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—His Majesty the King to-day saw some mighty munition works turning out shells, bullets and guns at a rate many times faster than the most active tempo achieved in the last war.

The King learned that our quality of shells is considerably better than the best German or other European manufacture and more plants are on the way.

CORRECTION

In the quotation yesterday of alleged Soviet demands on Sweden and Denmark published in the London "News-Chronicle" it was inadvertently stated "in the headlines that the countries affected were Norway and Denmark." The use of the name Norway was an error.

NAZI RAID DEBACLE

Seven Out Of 12 Planes Lost

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry state that at least seven out of 12 German aircraft failed to return to their base after attacking the British convoy in the North Sea on Saturday.

The German losses may yet prove even greater.

The Air Ministry, after the action of the Air Force, only claimed four as shot down. These were actually seen to crash.

Three Forced Down

British pilots believed that at least three more would never return home, but there was at first lack of conclusive evidence.

The evidence is now available, for members of the German crews have since been rescued, one by a trawler, another by a destroyer far out in the North Sea and the third by a Danish steamer.

TAXATION LEAGUE

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pension bill and suggests that the age limit for Civil Servants should be raised.

But protests against any suggestion that the petrol tax should be increased and points out that these are considerably higher than was the case a few months ago. He would like to see duties imposed on foreign motor-cars.

Mr. W. M. agrees with other readers that Income Tax would be the worst

TAX TABLE

Here are the suggestions of readers tabulated to show you how they would raise extra revenue.

	Per Cent.
Wines, spirits, beer	75
Horse Racing	25
Entertainment Tax	50
Sales Tax	50
Luxury Articles	50
Club and other taxes	45
Bachelors	40
Government lotteries	40
Perfumes	35
Dogs	25
Tobacco and 25 per cent. of the votes were cast for the following taxations. — Drivers' and radio licences, stock exchange margin appreciation, jewellery, road-side hoardings, and electric signs, hats, death duties.	

Others voted for: Motor car taxation, increased radio licences, super tax, tax on childless couples, landing charges, duties on foreign goods, increased taxation on property owners, assessment taxes, window tax, business taxation, tea, oils, petrol and salt.

Use this box to mark off by means of a tick, the types of taxation you would propose. If you have any additional suggestions, add them on a sheet of paper or on a post-card.

possible thing that Government could do. It would, he says, certainly fall on Europeans.

He is supporting increased assessment rates, points out that there would be no extra expenses in collecting this form of taxation.

H. L. D. opposes any suggestion that water should be taxed. He agrees that the bachelor tax would be an excellent idea, but would like to see it confined to bachelors over 35 years of age. He also supports taxation on childless married couples, but thinks it should be the first thing to be taxed. If people can afford to bet or buy wines they could pay extra for them.

Philatelist: "A cheap method of obtaining revenue would be to issue new postage stamps. Philatelists all over the world would contribute towards the Colony's revenue."

Other letters from readers will be published to-morrow. Clip out the box on Page 1 and tick off the types of taxation you would propose. Also (but not necessarily) enclose on a separate sheet of paper your reasons for suggesting or opposing any form of taxation. Address letters to the "Hongkong Telegraph," 3, Wyndham Street.

Madras Assembly Backs Congress

MADRAS, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—The Legislative Assembly, by 183 votes to 22, has passed a motion disapproving the Viceroy's declaration. The motion also expresses confidence in the Ministry and approves of its intention to resign.

Members of the Muslim League Party walked out of the Assembly when the Speaker ruled out of order the Party's amendment.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS

ANAX: That's why we published the map.—Ed.
W.M.M.: Your letter should be addressed to "Reuters".—Ed.
SOLDIER: Let sleeping dogs lie.—Ed.

POST OFFICE

ADDITION OF SENDER'S ADDRESS

Every article sent through the Post should bear in the left-hand corner, or on the back, the name and address of the sender, so that the Post Office may be able in case of non-delivery to return it unopened and without delay. A large number of undelivered articles are destroyed every year at the Return of Letter Office because they contain no clue, outside or inside, of the whereabouts of the senders.

Owing to the uncertainty of Sea transport the public are requested to post Christmas Parcels early, preferably before the end of October.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

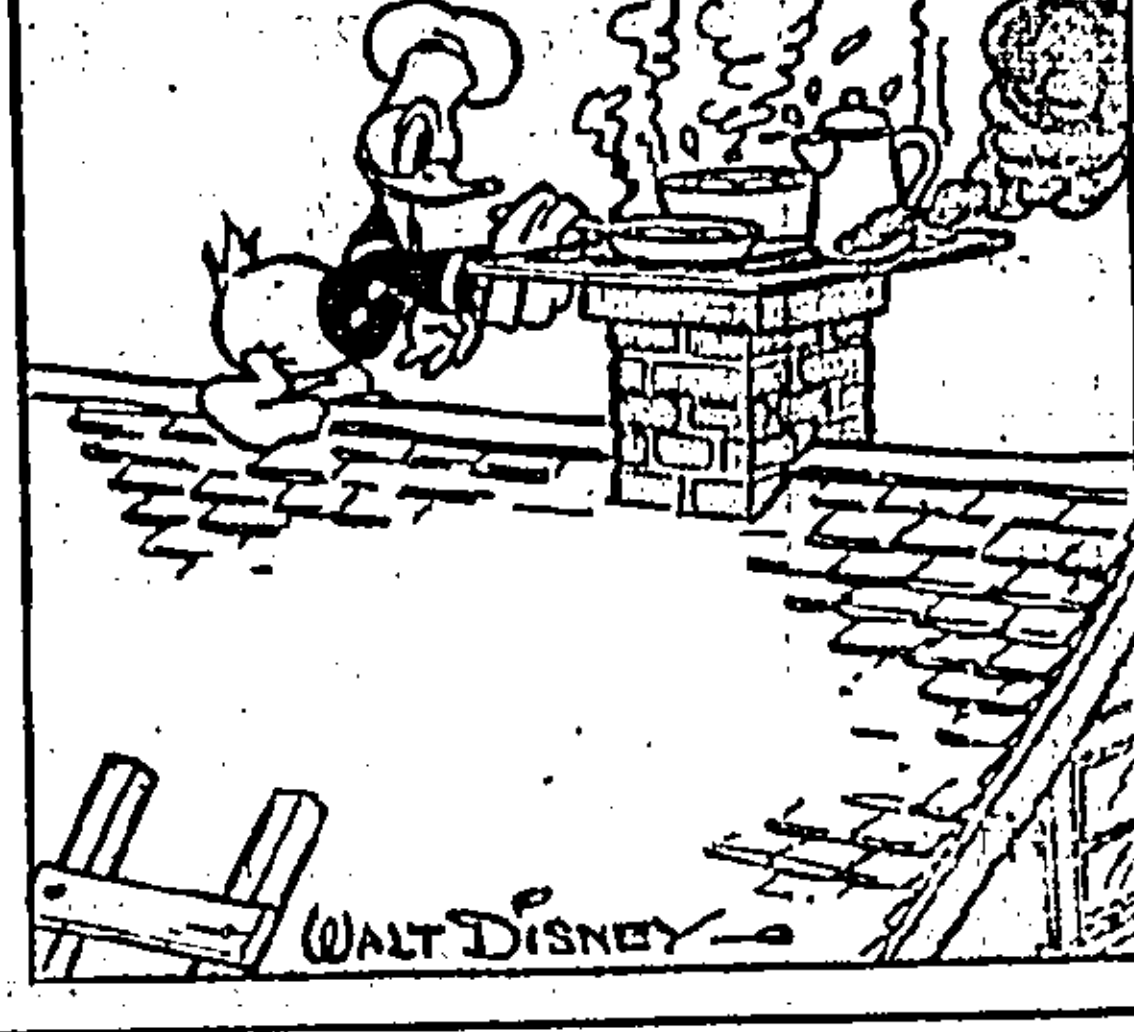
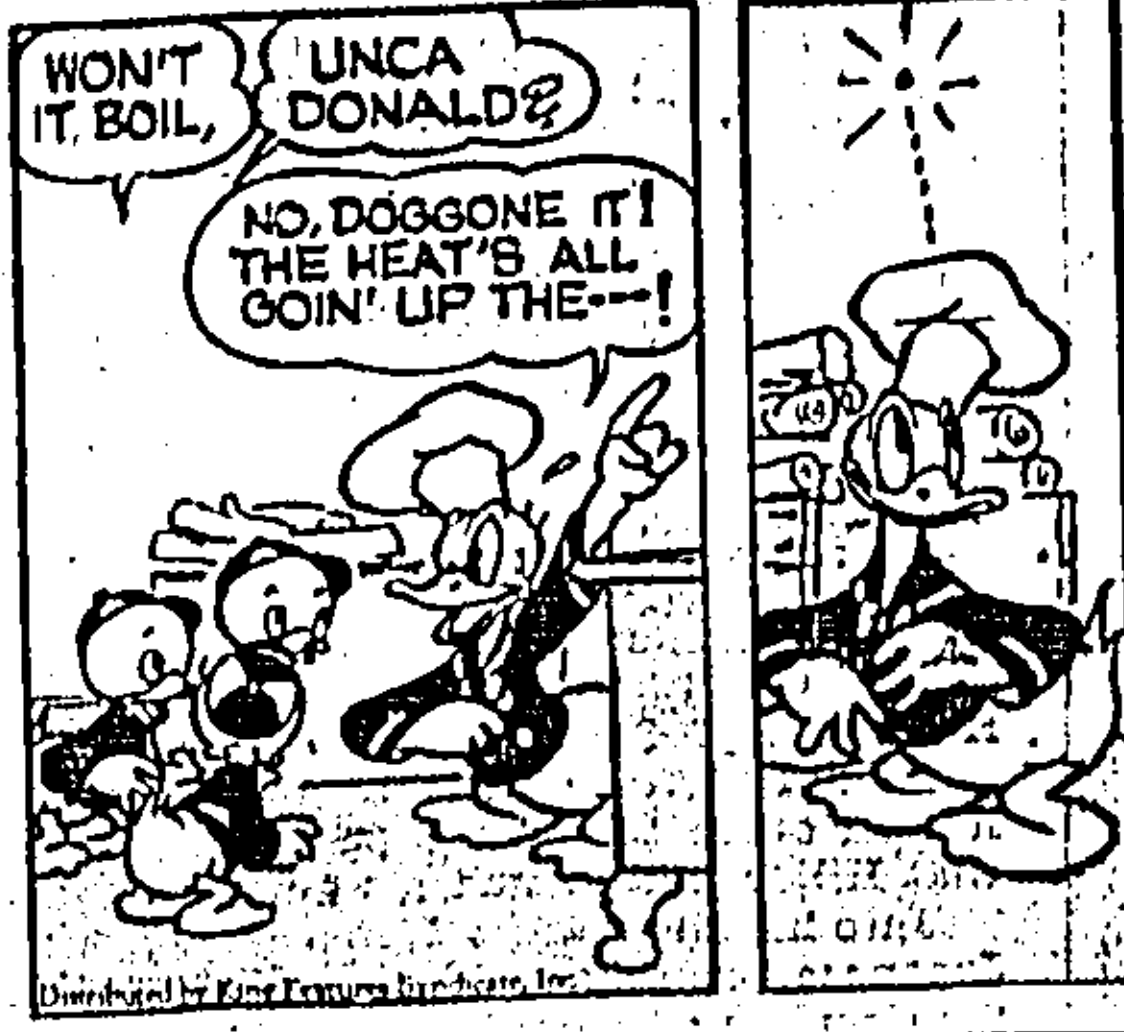
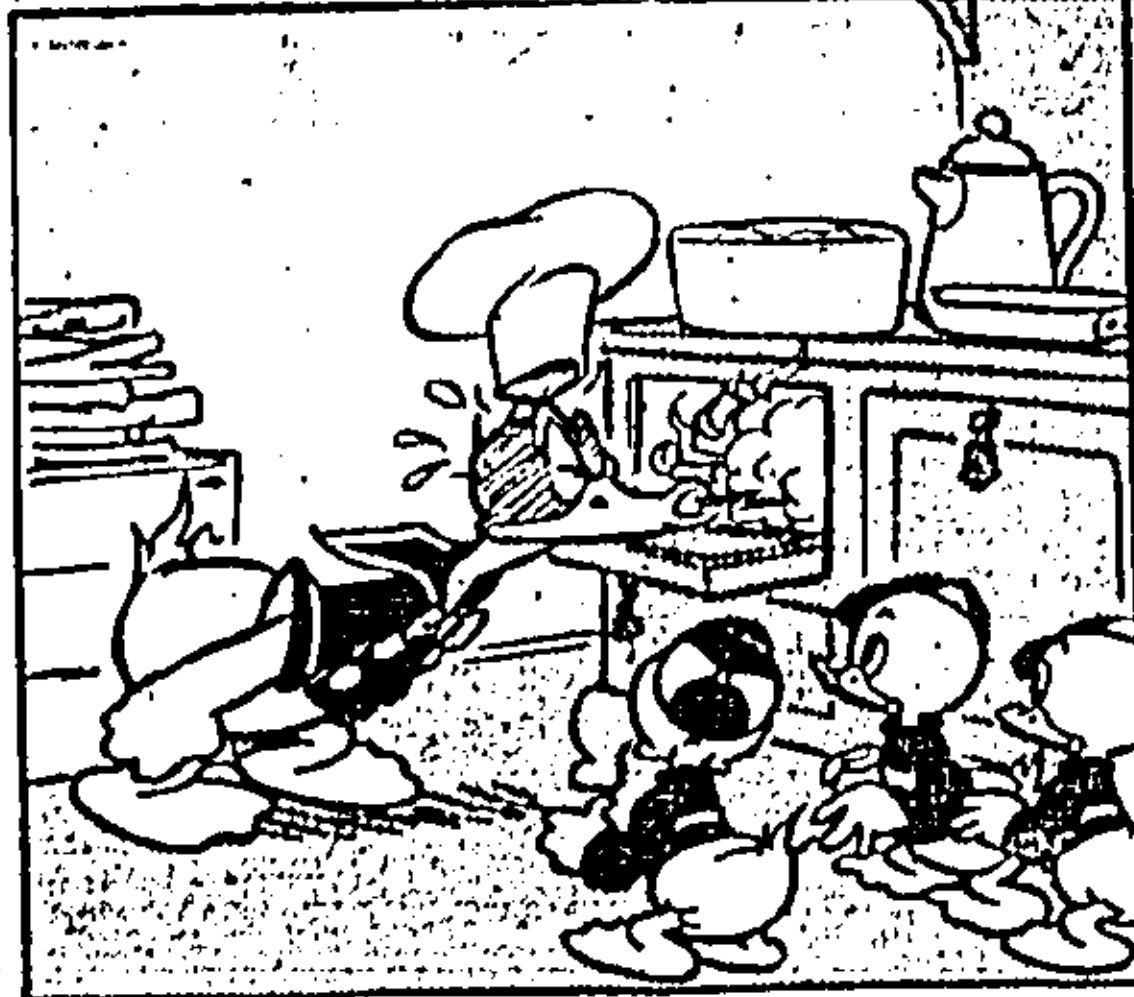
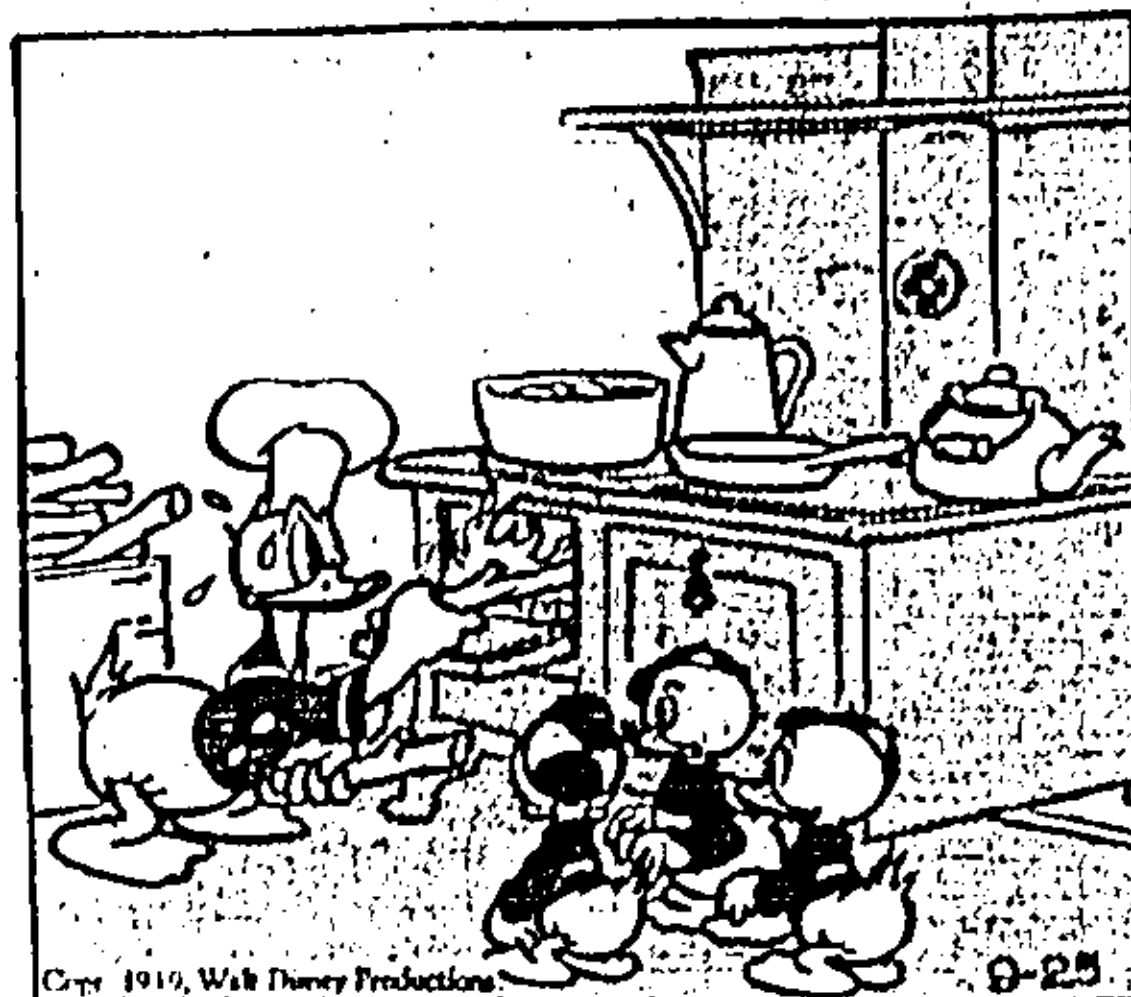
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Registered and Parcel Mail are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When 5 p.m. mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m. Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

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Haliphong, Pailhol and Hollow Oct. 29.
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Docks \$13
Providents \$4
Rauha \$9.60
H.K. and S. Hotels \$4½
Lands \$32
Rentals \$4.10
Tramways \$15.80
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Santakun Lights \$11½
Telephone (Old) \$20.10
Cements \$14
Dairy Farms (Old) \$10½
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Sellers
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 97½
Watsons \$8
Tramways \$16
H.K. Banks \$1,300
Union Ind. \$400
Providents \$3.95
Lands \$32.15
Tramways \$15.00/85
Cements \$14.10
Watsons \$7.00/80
Entertainments \$0.35

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Baquis Gold	13	b
Batong Bully	10.00	b
Batong Consolidated	10.00	b
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Demonstration	07	b
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F1461—Funclull Funclull. (Danza). Victor Silvester's Harmony Music.
F1462—Foom. (Film). (New Old Fashioned Party Dance).
F1463—Booms-A-Daisy. (New Old Fashioned Party Dance).
F1464—Flower Girl. F.T.
F1465—Handsome Territorial. Novelty Dance.
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F1469—I Get Along without You Very Well. Billy Thorburn.
F1470—Fox-Trot Medley. Piano Solo with Drums.
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Traffic Accidents

Three Persons Killed In Past Week

During the week ending 8 a.m. on Saturday, there were in Hongkong 80 traffic accidents, as the result of which three people were killed and 28 injured.

Of those killed, a man aged 80, was knocked down and killed by a tram-car and a girl, aged eight, by a motor bus. They were both crossing the road.

A man aged 20, reported to have fallen from a tramcar at Des Voeux Road Central, was admitted to Queen Mary Hospital and died on the following day.

Of those injured, 21 were pedestrians, who were either walking or running across the road and were struck by vehicles. Two bicycle riders were injured as the result of collisions between vehicles. A public car passenger was injured when the car overturned. A tram passenger and two bus passengers were injured while alighting from a moving tram and moving buses respectively. A bus passenger was injured while attempting to board a moving bus.

Of the 80 accidents, 30 were collisions between vehicles; 38 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; 17 accidents were due to other causes.

Type of Vehicles Involved: Private motor car, 40; motor lorry 22; motor bus 17; motor ambulance 1; public motor car 8; motor cycle 3; tramcar 10; tricycle 3; bicycle 8; ricksha 3.

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A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

Oct. 27, 1889.
A Royal Charter has been granted to the British South African Company to exploit the region between Bechuanaland, the Transvaal, and Portuguese territory. The Crown reserves the right to take over and administer the territory after twenty-five years.

The Italian Government has notified the Great Powers that henceforth Italy will control the foreign relations of Ethiopia.

25 YEARS AGO

Oct. 27, 1914.
In the matter of naval defences the Baltic coast-line is not in the most favourable condition. Having spent many millions on the construction of a naval harbour at Libau, and having failed the construction, the Russians discovered that the water was too shallow, and realised that, for an enemy, Libau strategically was of no importance.

It is generally assumed in Russia, at least by the Baltic-Russians, that the Germans, if they attempted to march on Petrograd, would endeavour to take either the main road from the East Prussian frontier, i.e., from Königsberg, Insterburg, Wirballen, Kovno, Brisk, Pskov and so to Petrograd, thus leaving the Pripet forest on their left; or the main road from Revel via Narva to Petrograd, a much shorter distance, running along the southern coast of the Gulf of Finland; or, perhaps, that they would try to proceed by both roads simultaneously and so converge on the capital.

Whatever value such surmises may have it is clear that the Russian naval authorities soon came to the conclusion that Libau was not to be a naval harbour, and that Revel had not yet become one. Riga as a naval harbour was quite out of the question, lying in the south-eastern corner of the Gulf of Riga, far from the open sea, Riga makes a fine port, excellent for commercial but unfavourable for naval purposes. In time therefore, Revel will be the strongest naval base on the Baltic. (Particularly interesting comment in view of recent developments—Ed.)

There has never been a ship of the British Navy which has been in the Duke, the flagship of Admiral Sir John Jellicoe, the Commander-in-Chief of the Home, Main or Grand Fleet.

This morning at 11 o'clock, Mr. Frederick A. Mackintosh, of Mackintosh and Co., well-known in Hongkong, was married to Miss Mary O'Connor, who arrived in the Colony from home yesterday by the s.s. Miyazaki Maru. The ceremony took place at St. John's Cathedral and was officiated by the Rev. V. H. Conley M.C. The bride was given away by Mr. R. L. Bridger, and Mr. H. E. Scriven, acted as best man. A large number of friends, including the Mayor, Mr. and Mrs. Chapple, Mrs. Dick Bridger, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crawford, Mrs. Caruthers, Mr. and Mrs. Dix, Mr. and Mrs. Faine and Mr. and Mrs. Nicholls.

10 YEARS AGO

Oct. 27, 1929.
The "Observer" to-day publishes an interesting interview with one of its correspondents has had with Sir Robert Ho Tung on the question of the future of China.

"China," said Sir Robert, "has gone through a violent convulsion, a revolution and a period of rapid progress, with the result that reaction, the political, social and economic fabric of the country, the worst of the storm has passed, there are still some local disturbances

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12.47 Schubert Songs by Elena Gerhardt (Mezzo-Soprano) Fiedler-Weise; The Fishermidwife, The Secret; The Poet; The Rose-Garden.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Sam Browne (Vocal) and the London Piano-Accordion Band.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Elsie and Doris Waters, Dick Powell and the Brothers.

2.10 Variety and Dance Music.

6.55 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.57 Don Cossack Russian Choir.

7.10 Rimsky-Korsakov—Russian Easter Festival Overture. Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra conducted by Leopold Stokowski.

7.27 B.B.C. Recording—"Breaking Athletic Records" A talk by Harold Abrahams.

7.42 Light Orchestral Selections.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Next Week's Programmes.

8.07 Smetana—Moldau (from "My Country").

Czech Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Rafael Kubelik.

8.20 Studio—Recital by Pellegatti (Cello), Tonoff (Violin) and Ore (Piano). D'Alessio Trio—Allegro Moderato, Andante, Scherzo Fugato, Terantella.

8.50 Vaughan Williams—Serenade to Music. Sir Henry Wood conducting the B.B.C. Orchestra; Soloists: I. Baillie, S. Allen, L. Suddaby, E. Turner, M. Balfour, A. Desmond, M. Brunskill, M. Jarred, H. Nash, W. Widdop, P. Jones, F. Titterton, R. Henderson, R. Easton, H. Williams and N. Allen.

9.05 Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

9.15 London Relay—The News.

9.30 Coleridge-Taylor—"Hiawatha" Death of Minnehaha. Sung by the Royal Choral Society conducted by Dr. Malcolm Sargent.

10.05 Orchestra Raymonde.

10.15 Dance Programme.

11.00 Close Down.

5 YEARS AGO
Oct. 27, 1934.
High officials of the administration regard the apparent attempt on the part of Japanese, or Manchukuo, to secure an oil monopoly in what was once Manchuria, as of exactly the type of trade exclusion Japan would foster in the Far East if she were permitted hegemony.

It is notified in the Gazette that His Excellency the Governor, under instruction from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, has appointed Mr. N. L. Smith to be Secretary for Chinese Affairs, in the place of Mr. A. E. Wool, retired.

Elvira Christened

Pleasure Craft For Manila Consul Launched

In a blaze of light almost as bright as day a sleek black craft slid into the water at Chean-Lee and Company's shipyard at Cheungshawan at 8.15 o'clock last night. It was an auspicious moment, both in the history of the craft, a yacht being built for Mr. A. Carmelo, Mexican Consul in Manila, and for the shipyard, which was performing its first major launching since its establishment recently.

The christening was performed by Mrs. Carmelo, wife of the Consul, who, with her husband, came to Hongkong for the event. Smashing a bottle of champagne over the bowsprit, she pronounced the name of the new ship, Elvira.

The Elvira is a 14-ton vessel of 36 ft. with 9 ft. 10 ins. beam, and 5 ft. 10 ins. draught. She is intended for pleasure cruising in the Philippines and is comfortably constructed and handsomely appointed.

Whether she will be sailed or towed to Manila has not yet been decided, but if she is sailed Captain A. M. Miller, who was sailing master of Mr. Fahnestock's well-known Shenandoah III for seven years, will probably be her commander, and a team of Hongkong amateur yachtsmen will provide her crew. Mr. and Mrs. Carmelo will return to Manila next week by steamer.

Last night's function was in the nature of a picnic outing. A launch brought a number of guests from town and they joined Mr. Carmelo on board after the launching and drank the health of the Elvira. The Chinese gave her the usual crackling send-off.

WARTIME OBITUARY AUSTRALIA

Jardine's Agent Dies At Foochow

Wartime activity in Australia, where women are coming forward in large numbers to learn to drive lorries was described by a passenger who arrived yesterday by the Imperial Airways plane after a five-day trip from Sydney. She is Mrs. E. D. Taylor, of Sydney, who has arrived to stay with her brother-in-law in Hongkong Dr. C. H. Burton.

Mrs. Taylor's trip indicates that Imperial Airways is still able to maintain fast connection between parts of Empire despite the war. Leaving Sydney on Saturday morning, by Qantas flying-boat, she arrived at Townsville the first day, Sourabaya, the second, Singapore the third and Bangkok the fourth, where she caught the Delphinus for Hongkong.

"There were great scenes of enthusiasm when war was declared in Sydney and quite a panic for a start with everyone talking about rushing off to the war straight away," said Mrs. Taylor.

The excitement calmed down when it was found that men were not required immediately for service overseas.

"Although many men have not lost their jobs as a result of the war, they are being put through military training camps for stretches of six to eight weeks at a time away from work," she said.

Discussion had been caused in the organisation of the canteens attached to the military camps. "Wet" canteens had been provided only for officers. As a result, men had been breaking camp to get liquor at the nearest hotel. Many had returned drunk and had created disturbances. "The out-cry has been so strong

The death occurred at Foochow yesterday, of Mr. Archibald Mortimer Scott Morris, agent there for Jardine Matheson and Co., at the age of 43.

Mr. Scott-Morris was a veteran of the world war in which he served with distinction and it was wounds received then that led to his early death.

Coming to the Colony in 1914 to join Jardines, it was not long before he volunteered for active service and went to England where he enlisted and was awarded a commission in the army.

In 1919 Mr. Scott-Morris returned to Jardines and was stationed in Shanghai and Foochow, but his old robust health was never regained, taking a turn for the worse in later years.

Mr. Scott Morris leaves a widow and two daughters, one having recently been married to Mr. Frank Lees in Swatow.

that it is considered the men will be allowed to have "wet" canteens in the near future," added Mrs. Taylor.

Society women in Australia were busy organising war work. Many were learning to drive heavy lorries and to take over jobs at present being operated by men.

The first batch of Australian pilots had already left Melbourne for England. It was not expected, however, that an expeditionary force would be sent abroad for some time and as yet business had not been greatly affected, she said.



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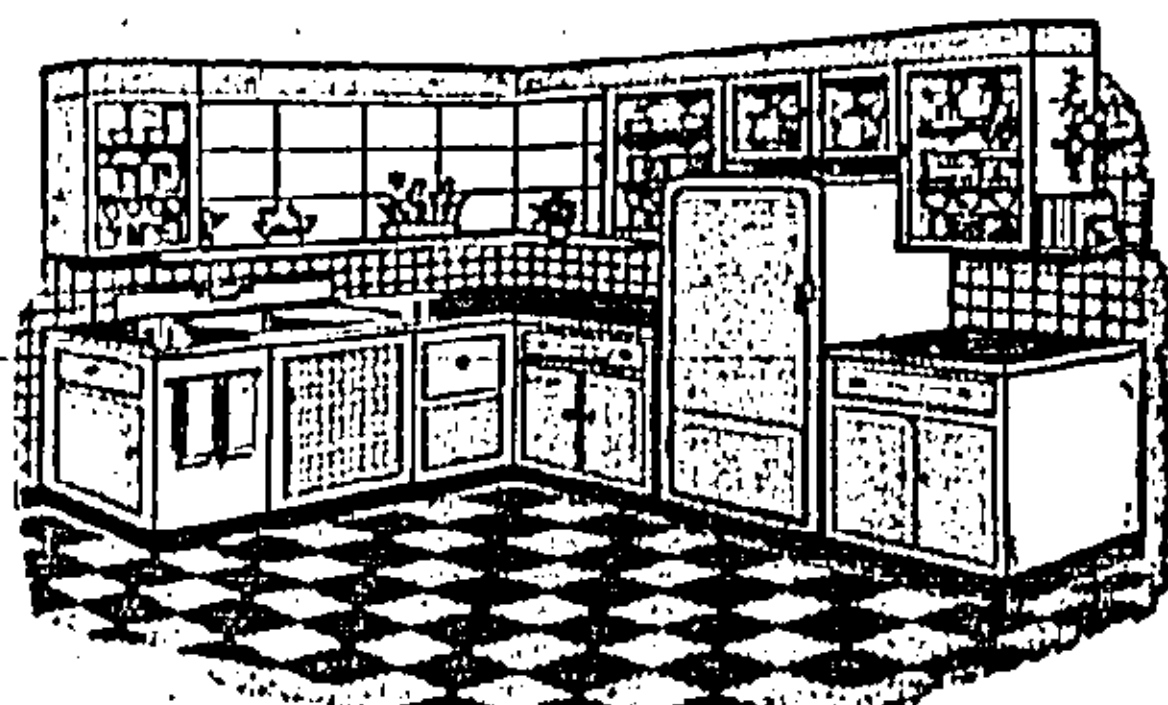
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The Empire

It has now been made clear to Germany that the whole strength of the British Empire is deployed against her in the war on freedom. All the members of the British Commonwealth of Nations are agreed, as they were in 1914, to fight until, till victory is won, the battle against aggression.

The resources of a fifth of the world, on Field-Marshal Goering's estimate, are now devoted irrevocably to the overthrow of Nazism.

That should cause sad searching of heart in German councils.

It reason still exercises any sway there, it must find even more depressing the fact that the resolve of the Nations of the Empire was made in perfect freedom, and only in South Africa was there enough difference of opinion to require a vote.

The leaders of Germany believed, or at least they told their people, that the British Empire would break into fragments under the menace of war.

Their predecessors made the same prophecy in 1914. But Germans have since been instructed that the evolution of the Empire into self-governing States has destroyed any chance of united action, the virus of democracy has corrupted its strength.

Now the German people must awake to discover that freedom has fortified the unity of the Commonwealth. They have proof enforced upon them that powerful, prosperous States in complete liberty to choose their own course are determined to join more closely together that they may achieve, in Gen. Smuts's words, "the destruction of Hitlerism and all that it implies."

The choice pronounces the judgment of civilised mankind on Herr Hitler's rule.

How the nations of the Empire can most usefully bring their power to bear is not a question to be answered hastily.

They are all much stronger than they were in 1914, stronger by military experience and by development of their natural resources and population.

The military strength of India has greatly increased from the lessons learnt in the last war, from the modernisation of her army and from the results of Lord Chittfield's report.

But it is not only by the dispatch of expeditionary forces that the Dominions can serve the common cause. To maintain industries which will give a constant flow of munitions and an agricultural efficiency which will assure food supplies for the fighting front and the home base is of the first importance.

That twofold task we are now well assured will be accomplished.

REORIENTATION

Who's Who in Japan's Cabinet

NEW men take over in Japan. Out of office goes Baron Hiranuma, extreme right-winger, waver of war on China, the man who planned everything on Hitler's heels.

"I am so filled with trepidation that I cannot stay in office any longer," he said, when he heard that Hitler had signed a pact with Russia.

Into his shoes steps General Nobuyuki Abe. (The Japanese pronounce him "Arbay," but no Englishman could resist calling him Abe.)

Abe's Cabinet has now been formed. There is not one single man to be found in it who was in the outgoing Cabinet.

This is no mere formal change of government. These new men mean new policies—a reorientation of Japanese diplomacy. They are Japan's idea of a "National" Government.

They are men of all sorts—generals, admirals, civil servants, judges, business men. There are even two regular, whole-time politicians.

All of them are supposed to be "liberal" and moderate. Who and what are they? Here is something about each:

General Nobuyuki Abe, Prime Minister. He is 64 years old and has a wide, smiling face. He wears rimless spectacles, and across his upper lip runs a short, clipped, half-inch-wide moustache.

Three years ago he retired from the Army and has since been living quietly in Tokyo.

Among Japanese soldiers he is remarkable for the fact that he has never been on active service. He has had the good fortune, or the good sense, to spend most of his time at headquarters.

In this way he rose to be Supreme War Councillor during the two last years of his military career.

During the last year or two he has begun to be forgotten by the Japanese public and he has never had a good deal of popularity. All the same he has a good deal of popularity. All the same he has a good deal of popularity.

Ugaki, one-time Foreign Secretary, a man of great standing, who took Abe under his wing.

Ugaki is reputed to be a moderate, so everybody takes it that Abe is moderate, too, and they let him back in Ugaki's reflected popularity.

The Mikado has chosen Abe because he is supposed to stand above the fiercest factions. He was never one of the men who put their trust in Hitler. Nor is he one of the men who think that after the events of the past week Japan should at once attempt to redress her balance with a British alliance.

Abe was like to be anti-German and anti-British at the same time. He is expected to carry on the war against China in complete isolation from the rest of the world.

How easy it will be, time will show him.

General Shunroku Hata, War Minister. His appointment was surprised, shocked the Army. The Army usually nominates the War Minister and it did not nominate Hata.

Hata has always been right outside politics. It is not much good speculating whether he is a Leftist or a Rightist, for he is not.

Presumably Abe thinks him moderate. But if Hata is unknown as a



General Abe is supposed to stand above the fiercest factions

politician, he is very much known as a soldier. Throughout 1938 he was Japanese Commander-in-Chief in China.

The papers have boosted him as a popular hero and his name is particularly linked with the landing of troops at Hangchow and the driving of the Chinese from Shanghai.

As Commander-in-Chief he repeatedly said he meant no harm to Britain and America and he liked to maintain personal and cordial relations with British Generals and diplomats.

It was only after he was recalled to Japan last January and made chief Aide-de-Camp to the Mikado that the anti-British campaign broke out in full fury.

Kazuo Aoki, Minister of Finance. The brains of the new Government. Also the youngest member of the Government, being only 54. He has been a leading official in the Ministry of Finance for years. He has also built himself a reputation as an economist and has been a lecturer at four Japanese universities.

After the Great War he came to Europe for the Peace Conference and helped to squeeze Germany till the pips squeaked by sitting on the Reparations Commission. So he takes his share in the responsibility for Versailles.

Although a civil servant, he has for many years controlled the Finance Ministry. Now he is boss in name as well as in fact.

He has always been very active in politics and is regarded as having very "advanced" views.

He will try to make the army spend less money and his arm will be strengthened because he is going to be President of the recently-formed Planning Board which co-ordinates all Government departments.

Naoshi Ohara, Minister of Home Affairs and Welfare. He started life as a civil servant in the Department of Justice. He has risen to be a leading judge, President of the Tokyo Court of Appeal.

Twice before he has been in Cabinets, but each time as Minister of Justice. A non-specialist ministry is a new line of country for him.

Ohara is nearly as common a name in Japan as it is in Ireland.

Chogoro Miyagi, Minister of Justice. Another lawyer, and he gets a lawyer's job.

He has spent all his life in the Ministry of Justice, first as an official, recently as a judge of the Appeal Court. He has a cold, logical, legal brain, after the same pattern as Sir John Simon's.

Kakichi Kawarada, Minister of Education. Rather a mysterious figure. As Minister of Home Affairs in 1937 he tried to experiment with the election system and to establish

either of these books is Mr. Thomas Hope's "Torquemada: or, the Jew of the Jews." So distant did Torquemada seem from modern life a few years ago that his name was adopted by a famous setter of crossword puzzles. Here we see him presented as the originator of that racial nationalism which is for the moment triumphant in Germany.

Torquemada, according to Mr. Hope, created the first modern nationalist State in Spain by means of the Inquisition. "But," he adds, "that very unity, the narrowness of that first nationalism, imposed and maintained by the Inquisition in close alliance with the Crown, was to lead to the decadence of Spain, and even to the horrors that Spain suffers today, just as inevitably as it had brought about the Golden Age. Torquemada was both saviour and destroyer of Spain."

This is a fair-minded book on a cruel incident in history, which should be widely read to-day.

It will be news to many readers, by the way, that Torquemada, the persecutor of the Jews, was himself the grandson of a Jewess.

There is topical interest even in "Flaubert and Madame Bovary," for it takes us into the world of the expert teacher than Mr. Church. He can talk with authority on *Cistus monspeliensis*, *Cistus albidus*, and *Cistus salvifolius*. Luckily for there was the same hatred of the ignorant masses like myself, however, he is an admirable describer of a humorist, and a painter of character.

I liked particularly his sketch of Mrs. Jones, the old Tory lady, of membered chiefly as the writer of a realistic novel and who was himself encountered Tory opinions more extreme in a lady who took in the so cruelly portrayed.

hall the Japanese Parliament on the Italian Fascist model.

He is yet another civil servant and has spent most of his life in the Home Ministry. His specialty is Labour problems, and he knows Europe through his periodic visits to the International Labour Office. As a side-line, he is managing director of a company.

Vice-Admiral Takuo Godoh, Minister of Commerce, Agriculture and Forestry, is Japan's No. 1 business man. He is extremely well-known, very active and go-ahead. The sea is only his second love.

He speaks fluent German, knows Germany's economic system well and has co-operated with the lords of German heavy industry in developing railways in Manchukuo. Abe hopes to use him as a poacher-turned-game keeper.

Most of his power and wealth comes from iron, steel, armaments and railways. He is President of the Tokyo Chamber of Commerce and is now 62 years old.

Ryutaro Nagai, Minister of Communications and Railways. A real politician. He is very popular in the country.

He is one of the brightest lights in the Minsello—the Japanese "Liberal Party," one of the country's two historic political parties.

He has often been a Cabinet Minister before and was the favourite of Count Okuma, one of the great pioneers of the Japanese Liberal Party. His nickname is "Okuma No. 2."

Tsuneko Kamekatsu, Minister of Overseas Affairs, is a member of the other historic party—the Selyukai, or Conservatives. He ought to be able to guarantee Conservative support for the new Government.

Kamekatsu has a finger in many ples. He has been a civil servant and he is director of about a dozen companies—mostly insurance companies. Not long ago he was deputy-speaker of the House of Representatives.

Vice-Admiral Zengo Yoshida, veteran of the Great War, Commander-in-Chief of the Combined Fleet, brings all his naval prestige to the post of Navy Minister.

Ryusaku Endo, ex-civil servant, member of the House of Peers, with long experience of administering Japan's colonies on the Chinese mainland, including Manchuria, becomes Chief Secretary to the Cabinet.

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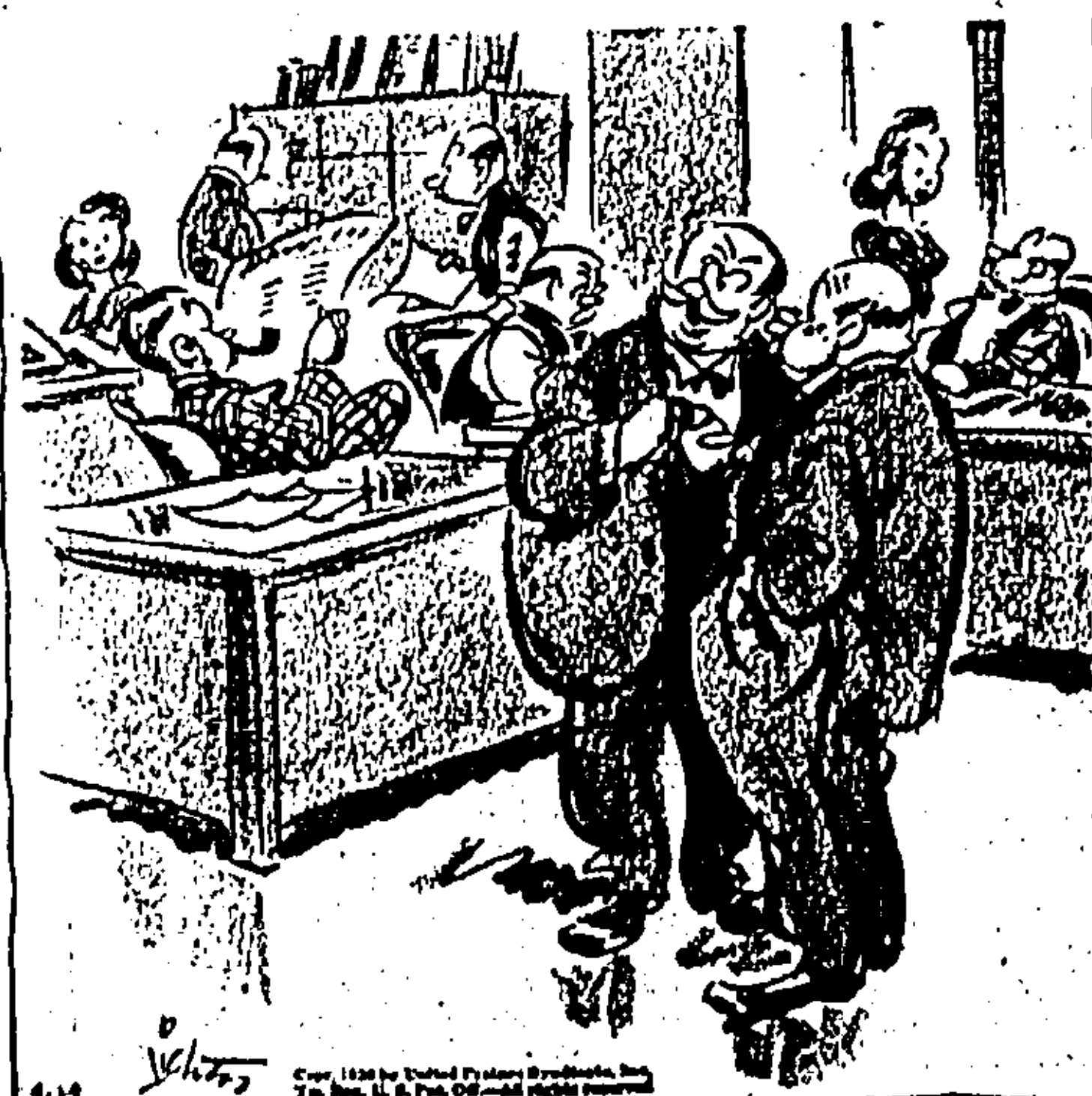
Mexico Offers Oil To The Allies

MEXICO CITY. High Government officials indicated recently that the Allies would experience no difficulty if they wished to obtain supplies of petroleum from Mexico.

President Cardenas, it was stated, intends to sell oil and other products to European belligerents who "deserve Mexico's sympathy," and these belligerents, it was made clear, were Britain, France and Poland.

Mr. W. R. Davis, the American who arranged the £5,000,000 oil barter deal between Mexico and Germany, has left Mexico, and it is reported that the agreement has been cancelled.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Young Buskin there is just out of college and already he's one of our most valuable men—he can get us tickets right on the 50-yard line!"

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

Austria Also Has Secret Station

LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter Bulletin).—Austria now has an anti-Nazi radio station like the "Freedom Station" in Germany which has been a thorn in the side of the Nazi officials. Last night the Austrian station commented on the British Empire and said, "Judge for yourself the conditions of the British possessions men are free to decide for themselves if they want to join Britain in the war. Would Hitler dare to grant such rights to oppressed Austria?"

Soviet Terms May Be Rejected

Helsinki, Oct. 26. Finnish negotiations with the Soviet may not continue according to the Finnish Premier, M. Erkkila. If the situation becomes so grave that negotiations cannot be continued, he will put the cards on the table and speak frankly.

Meanwhile precautionary measures are being continued in Finland. The Government has banned the export of foreign and Finnish currency and all Finns possessing foreign currency must hand it to the State Bank.—Reuter Bulletin.

Renewed Defence Precautions

Helsinki, Oct. 26. Mines have been laid off the southern coast of Finland as a precautionary measure. Donations to the national defence fund are steadily coming in from the whole country.—Reuter Special.

Beat Mr. Chamberlain

Helsinki, Oct. 26. M. Pansikivi, M. Tanner and two other members of the Finnish Parliament turned from Moscow at 8.35 a.m. and were welcomed by a crowd of several thousand, including the Premier, Cabinet Ministers and the Ministers of Norway, Sweden and Denmark. The delegation went to the Foreign Office to confer.

M. Pansikivi out-embellished Mr. Chamberlain—he was carrying two umbrellas when the photographers caught only one. Mr. Tanner joked by saying, "Show them both!"—United Press.

Soviet Protests To Britain

Moscow, Oct. 26. Russia has strongly protested to Britain in connection with the examination of Soviet ships under the War Contraband Control and reserves the right to claim compensation for any losses, in a note replying to the British Notes of September 8 and 11 regarding contraband.

The Note refuses to recognise the validity and bases the Government's standpoint on the Declaration of Regulations of Naval Warfare of 1909.

The Note declares that by including in the contraband list such articles as fuel, paper, cotton, fodder for livestock, footwear, clothing and even foodstuffs which are articles of mass consumption, Britain "encourages the possibility of unlimited arbitrariness in classing all articles of popular consumption as contraband."—Reuter.

Contention Untenable

London, Oct. 26. Information has been received from authoritative quarters that the Soviet contention is completely untenable.

The International Conference of 1909 which drafted the so-called Declaration of London was abortive, as the declaration was never ratified by any country and went by the board in the first week of the war in 1914.

The position under International Law to-day is that any belligerent Government can declare anything it pleases contraband.—Reuter.

Germany is Much Worse

London, Oct. 26. The Star says that Russia's Note regarding the blockade is like the United States' protests against interference with neutral trade during the World War, but it points out that Russia raises questions which were never touched by the United States.

"The answer to the Russians is that Germany is carrying out a complete contraband warfare wherever possible by coupling with neutral ships on enemy ships but neutral ships, the paper continues, 'She is carrying us of food only because she is preventing her.'—United Press.

ANOTHER REVIEW BY PREMIER

House of Commons Is Informed of Progress Of War: British Home Defence Praised

In the House of Commons yesterday afternoon the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, delivered his weekly review of the war situation.

The Prime Minister said that though there had been no material change on the Western Front, on the sea there had been some losses of British ships which had been more than offset by German losses and that the Government was confident that the U-boat menace was being coped with efficiently. In the air German air attacks had been ineffective, though there had been several serious German losses.

Soviet Russia is now credited in some quarters with designs on two of Sweden's most important ports in the Baltic. Germany is said to be informed of Soviet diplomacy to gain control of this sea.

A Finnish spokesman states that any agreement with Russia affecting the independence of the country will have to be considered by the Parliament. Mine fields have been laid along the entire south Finnish coast.

London, Oct. 26.

The newly appointed Italian Ambassador, Signor Bastianini, was in the Diplomatic Gallery to hear Mr. Chamberlain present his weekly review of the situation to the House of Commons to-day.

The Prime Minister said in the past week there had been no operations of importance on the Western Front.

Minor adjustments in the positions occupied had been made and the general result was that the French and German forces were now on the line of their common frontier.

A steady stream of reinforcements and reserves of material for the British Expeditionary Force continued, and the defences in the British sector were being continually strengthened.

In the air the aircraft of the Fighter Command had again been in action.

Mr. Chamberlain referred to the morning attack on the convoy on October 21 and said it was probable that two of the six bombers were destroyed. In the afternoon attempt, made by two formations of nine and twelve bombers respectively, it was certain that four and probably five planes were destroyed.

Successes to Report

The next day one or two bombers were shot down off Saint Abb's. "We suffered no damage," added Mr. Chamberlain.

"The work of the coastal units has been almost continuous. This week there were certain successes to report. Mines in the path of convoys had been detected from the air in part, and the ships of the convoy from danger, and seven U-boats have been sighted.

"Of these, four have been attacked. There is good reason to believe that at least one was severely damaged and another destroyed by naval vessels directed to the scene by the attacking aircraft."

Mr. Chamberlain then referred to the admirable work of the anti-aircraft gunners, who in the Rosyth and Scapa Flow raids brought down two German bombers. Mr. Chamberlain

added that they also caused such damage to other German bombers as to prevent their reaching home.

In the war on sea there had been an intensification of the German submarine campaign.

This intensification they had always expected, but he assured the House the situation was well in hand.

Rate of Destruction

In spite of one or two strokes of good fortune the enemy has not been able to attain the rate of sinking they attained at the beginning of the war.

Their submarines had been driven to operate further and further from their bases and further and further from the focal points where trade is bound to concentrate.

Finally the destruction of enemy submarines is being maintained at a sufficiently high rate to encourage them to believe that this menace to British trade would eventually be overcome.

Referring to the sinking of five British ships announced recently, Mr. Chamberlain said the Stenogra was sunk by the Deutschland some time ago, but the information of its loss has only just reached them. Together these ships aggregated 22,715 tons.

Enemy ships arrested by Britain's blockade squadrons totalled 28,307 tons. In addition a ship of 4,574 tons scuttled herself to avoid capture.

There was, therefore a loss to the enemy of some 33,000 tons and a net gain to Britain of nearly 6,000 tons.

Growing Lawlessness

Calling attention to the growing lawlessness of the U-boat campaign, Mr. Chamberlain said, "It seems now to have become the rule for merchant ships to be sunk without warning. Frequently passengers and crew have been turned adrift in small open boats in stormy seas to suffer from cold and exposure."

"In the case of the Yorkshire in particular, there was a deplorable loss of life among the wives and children returning home from the East."

"Another blatant instance was the sinking of the French ship Bretagne carrying a large number of women and children."

"No words are strong enough to express our detestation of this cowardly form of warfare."—Reuter.

Reactions Speech Ribbentrop

London, Oct. 26.

The Times declares that Ribbentrop's first failure as Ambassador to London was followed by a series of blunders which landed Germany in the worst diplomatic position she has ever found herself in. The dominant note of "this blistering demagogic speech" was hysteria, and hysteria is a bad basis on which to conduct what the Nazis themselves describe as a war of nerves.

For years Ribbentrop was busily advising his chief that nothing would induce Britain to take up arms, yet on Tuesday he scintillated "this war against Germany has been systematically prepared for years by the present British Government."

After enumerating the effects of his policy in Japan, Spain, Italy, the Baltic and central and south-eastern Europe, The Times says it would hardly be necessary to consider seriously the utterance of so disastrous a blunder if he did not still, unfortunately, occupy a position of international importance.

The Times declares that there is not the slightest doubt that Ribbentrop has antagonised large sections of opinion in his own country. He ended his lamentable speech with a call to that war against Britain which in itself falsifies his own forecasts and declares the bankruptcy of his own policy.

The Manchester Guardian says the French can safely be left to answer parts of the speech which concern them, but points out that France had a pact of mutual assistance with Poland long before the National Government came into power in Britain. That pact was valid until the end and was renewed by the Franco-Polish Governments twice.—Reuter.

GERMANY MASSING TROOPS

London, Oct. 26.

French military observers agree that the Germans have now massed enough men and materials for an attack on the whole front or part of it.

Luxemburg reports say that part of the Siegfried Line collapsed during the recent floods and that 40 were killed, but the French consider the attack is generally still feasible for an offensive, and it would not be surprising as the Germans are reported to have completed the digging of trenches and are bringing up their artillery to new positions strategically evacuated by the French before October 10.

Increasing pressure on the whole front suggests an impending attack. The Germans, evidently eager to regain the valuable heights still held by the French south-east of Warrat Forest, made three attacks since Monday and were effectively repulsed.

Danish reports from Berlin say that Hitler and the army chiefs conferred yesterday. Troops are still moving to the Western Front.

French critics believe that the prolonged artillery preparation customary in the last war will be discarded for brief intensified fire designed to blind the defence before the onslaught is launched with every available arm and special efforts will be made to disorganise the rear of the defence and prevent supplies and reinforcements arriving. These tactics were eminently successful in Poland, but the conditions there were too unequal for analogy.—Reuter.

NO GERMAN COMMERCE RAIDERS IN PACIFIC

TOKYO, Oct. 26 (Domei).—Asked by a foreign correspondent regarding the alleged activity of German commerce raiders in the Pacific Ocean and also whether there is any foreign submarine in the Pacific, the spokesman of the Foreign Office said to-day that it would be technically possible that German commerce raiders will show activity in the Pacific.

He also added that he had no information as to the presence or appearance of foreign submarines in the Pacific.

The Japanese Navy, he pointed out, has not been informed in any way of the so-called mystery submarine which was reported in a foreign message to have appeared off Alaska.

All Japanese submarines are operating in home waters and not a single Japanese submarine has ever attempted to penetrate foreign waters, the spokesman declared.

Questioned whether capital ships are safe from air attacks, the spokesman said that specifications in armament are kept secret by all countries. He expressed the opinion, nevertheless, that although pre-war dreadnaughts would betray some vulnerability to air attacks, up-to-date battleships would be well-provided against air attacks in view of the recent remarkable progress in aeronautics.

City Of Flint

American Crew Are Said Safe

Berlin, Oct. 25.

It has been disclosed that Germany is negotiating with Russia regarding the disposition of the captured American steamship City of Flint.

The negotiations are understood to include the question of the release of the crew.

The Nazis claim they were forced to take the ship to the Russian coast due to the absence of a chart of the minefields guarding Nazi ports. They said that the ship's American crew apparently jettisoned the ship's charts. One German source said he had heard that the ship was not in a seaworthy condition.—United Press.

Assurance of Safety

Washington, Oct. 26. Russian assurances that the City of Flint's crew are safe at Murmansk have caused relief among the officials, as the State Department gathered information for demanding the return of the vessel.

Mr. Cordell Hull has announced that the United States will take whatever action is justified.—United Press.

Wife Makes Appeal

Moscow, Mace, Oct. 26. Mrs. Joseph Gaimard, wife of the City of Flint's Captain, has sent messages to Herr von Ribbentrop and M. Molotov urgently requesting telegraphic information as to the whereabouts of her husband. She asks for assurance that her husband and crew are unharmed and states that a reply would greatly relieve the worries of any wife placed in such a situation.—United Press.

Dangerous Situation

New York, Oct. 26. The New York Times, commenting on the detention of the City of Flint, says that Germany has already sunk a large number of neutral vessels and that the City of Flint is now in a Russian port instead of at the bottom of the sea is due to the fact that Germany does not desire to antagonise the great Western Power.

The delay of two days in which Russia informed the United States of the whereabouts of the City of Flint was due to the embarrassment caused by the Germans bringing the vessel into a Soviet port.

The New York Herald-Tribune says that the incident is full of diplomatic dynamite.—Reuter Bulletin.

Ship Still Held Up

London, Oct. 26. Russia has informed the United States that 41 members of the crew of the City of Flint have been released, but the vessel is delayed at Murmansk in order that the cargoes may be checked.

No explanation is given regarding this delay, but it is understood that the cargo is being examined in a neutral port.

The prize crew of 18 Germans have been released on the excuse that the City of Flint entered a Russian port for repairs, but it is understood that the release is attributed to German representations.—Reuter Bulletin.

NUMBER OF MUI TSAI

Substantial Decrease In Past Twelve Months

According to the Annual Report of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, which was tabled at the Legislative Council yesterday, the number of mui tsai registered at the beginning of the year was 1,990, but by the end of the year it had been reduced to 1,102. About half of the cancellations were now earning their own living.

The number of girls registered under the Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance was 2,558.

Sectional reports reveal that there were 3,772 permits issued for fireworks, 2,027 being for weddings. Eighty-one books were registered, compared with 51 in 1937, and the number of Chinese newspapers registered on December 31 was 54, of which 15 were registered during the year.

U.S. And War

Setback For Isolationists

Washington, Oct. 26.

Administration Senators have defeated the isolationists' attempt to curb President Roosevelt's powers of discretion applying to the pending Neutrality legislation. Meanwhile Senators Pittman, Barkley and others agreed that it might be possible to reach a final vote to-day.

The voting was 61 to 26 to defeat Senator Edwin John's amendment, which would have eliminated presidential discretion as to whether a conflict required application of the Neutrality Law or whether application should be automatic in any war.—United Press.

WARSHIP PATROL

Washington, Sept. 30. The United States' "Neutrality Patrol" in the Atlantic Ocean is rapidly assuming the proportions of a major naval force. It is under command of Rear Admiral Alfred W. Johnson, Commander of the Atlantic Squadron.

Created by President Roosevelt to enforce neutrality proclamations, the patrol now consists of over 20 war-craft and at least 40 more are expected to be added as fast as they can be re-commissioned.

Although technically the patrol operates in all waters touching United States shores, the main scenes of activity are on the Atlantic side and in the Caribbean.—United Press.

Ambassador Explains

Washington, Oct. 26. Lord Lothian, British Ambassador, speaking before the Pilgrim Society, said that an armistice now would give Hitler six months to reorganise his army and make preparations for the next bounce on neighbouring countries before the Allies could meet it.

"I am sure that when peace comes it will not be another dictated peace, for the Allies will not take from Germany any of her legal rights," he declared.—Reuter Bulletin.

American Red Cross

Paris, Oct. 26. The first United States ambulance unit consisting of 20 cars will leave Paris for the Western Front in a fortnight's time, states the Paris edition of the New York Herald-Tribune. This will be followed by five more units.

The Volunteer Corps, which has already received donations of 3,000,000 francs, has ordered 247 ambulances. Two hundred stretcher-bearers and drivers have been recruited.—Reuter Special.

SLANG OF THE TRIAD

Sinologist Gives Address To Y's Men

That the original Chinese Triad Societies were similar to the Ku Klux Klan of America, and the Carabiniers of Italy was the opinion voiced by Mr. T. Paul Gregory when he spoke on "The Secret Slang of the Triad Society" to members of the Y's Men's Club at the St. Francis Hotel yesterday. Mr. S. B. Tan was Chairman.

Mr. Gregory traced the history of the Triad Society back to the end of the Ming Dynasty, when, he said, it was formed with the idea of driving out the Manchus, and returning the Ming Dynasty to the Throne. After being defeated in their object, the Societies were driven underground and eventually fell into disfavor.

He gave a number of written and oral examples of the slang expressions which were commonly used among the Triad members.

Mr. Peller N. Sin, thanked the speaker, and described the talk as being interesting and original.

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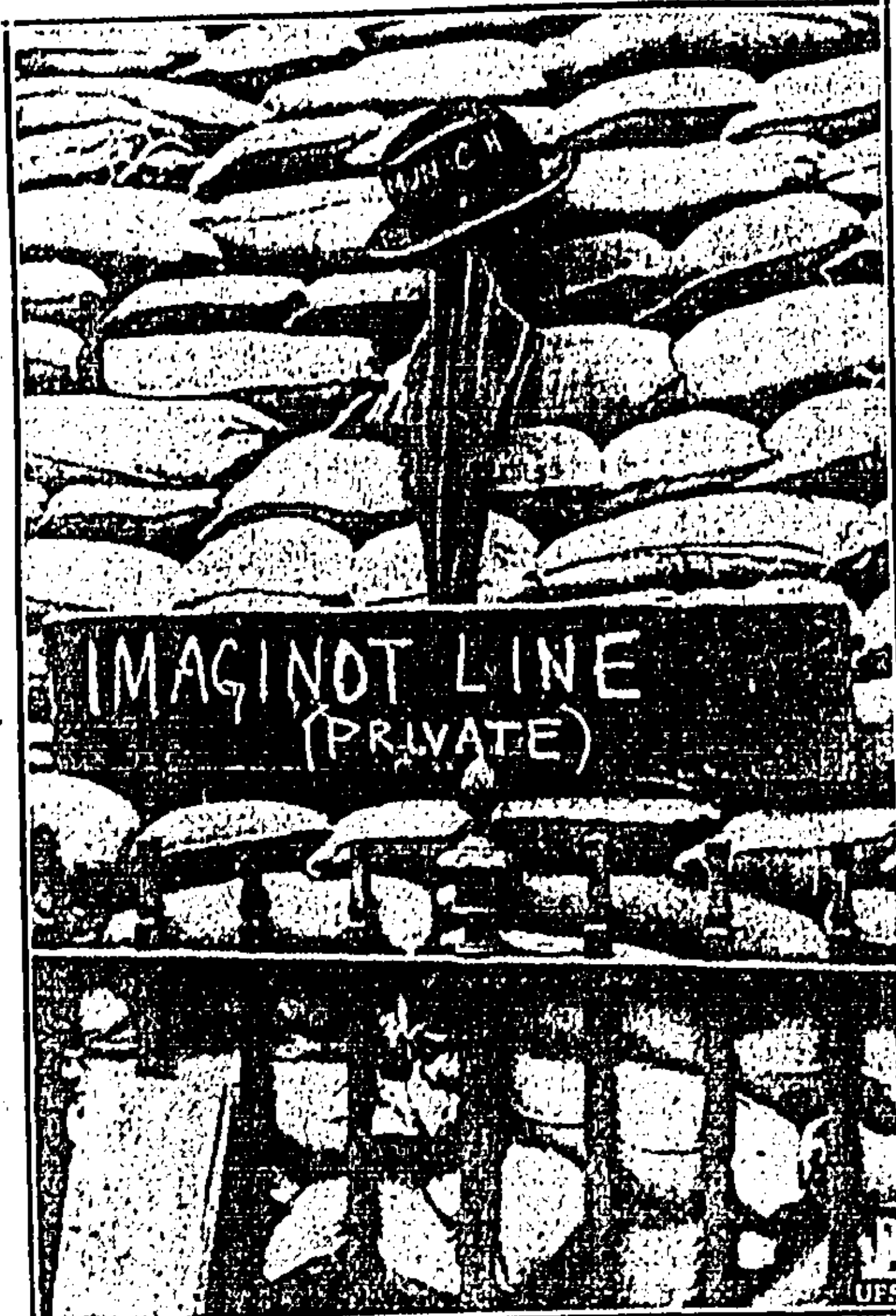
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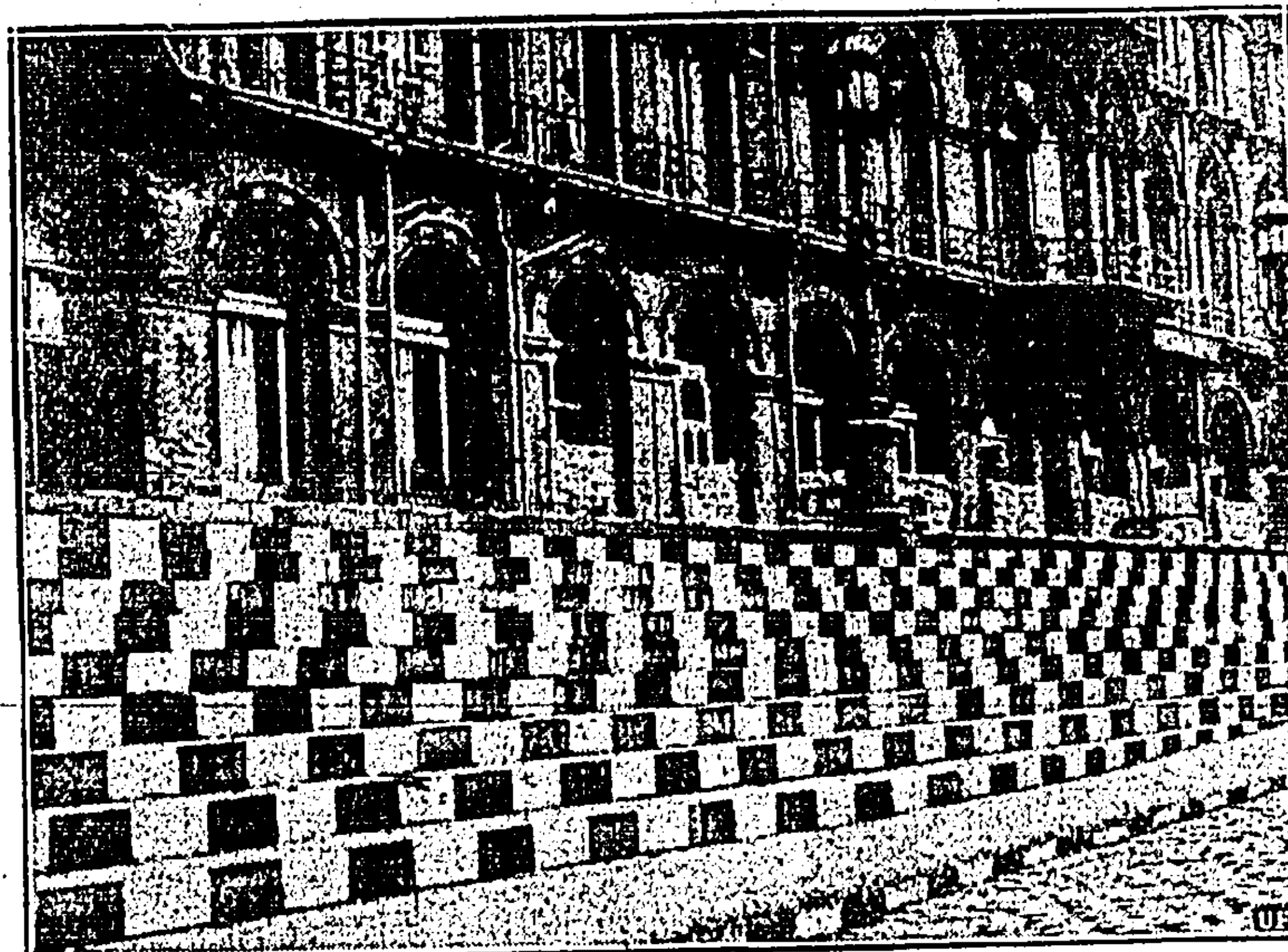
Amid blackouts, air-raid alarms and a landscape of sand-bags, somebody got a humorous slant on Europe's tragedy, with this strange combination along a London street. Legend on hat above umbrella reads, "Munich."



Sandbags being filled at Broughty Ferry beach for A.R.P. use at Dundee public buildings.



A "bell" shelter for the use of A.R.P. wardens, being erected in the Mall, London.



This checkerboard pattern is used on a railway station in London, in connection with the blackouts occasioned by fear of Nazi air raids. When city is lightless, steps can still be seen by prospective travellers. Note sandbags at ground floor windows.



Nazi censor let this picture pass, showing wreckage of bridge in Dirschau, Poland. Caption reported that Polish army engineers destroyed it in retreat, in effort to hamper advancing Germans.



Poles captured by Germans wait in line for food, in one of the prison camps established by the Nazis. This picture went to the United States by way of England, after being passed by British censor. Its locality was also given by British as "somewhere in Poland."

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NANCY



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No Shirkers In France Rush To Join

PARIS. There will be no shirkers in France in this war. "Darling sons" whose parents could pull strings to get them soft jobs are hurrying with other young men throughout France to get into uniform.

Some 150 Members of Parliament have already joined up. Legislators who hitherto have hailed each other with familiar greetings are now keeping a respectful distance, being divided into colonels, captains, privates and batmen.

CZECH DIVISIONS

Foreigners in France are flocking to enlist. Huge motor show-rooms at the Place de l'Opera have become the recruiting office for a "Garibaldi Legion." The recruiting officials there are dressed in fiery purple blouses.

Two Czech-Slovak divisions are in the course of formation under 400 officers who escaped from Czechoslovakia.

There will be no wastage of manpower. For instance, it is revealed that one man alone sets in motion all the 10 air-raid sirens in Paris by just turning a small handle.

Reports from Germany of food rationing have aroused a feeling of

most of pity here, where Frenchmen are still enjoying live-course luncheons with coffee and brandy.

New slogans are beginning to appear.

"STOP UP YOUR EARS" Clemenceau's famous "Taisez-vous mesiez-vous, des oreilles ennemies vous ecoutez" (Keep silent—be on your guard, enemy ears are listening to you) has been replaced with "Bouchez-vous les oreilles, des voix ennemies vous parlent" (Stop up your ears, enemy voices are speaking to you).

This is a warning against listening to reports of alleged disaster or reverses, or merely pessimistic feelings.

REGISTRY WEDDINGS

Three weddings took place at the Registry yesterday, before Mr. T. J. Gould, Deputy Registrar.

Mr. Pang Kwok-ye, local clerk of H.M. Dockyard, married Miss Ma Wai-sheung, of 18 Yuk Sau Street, Happy Valley. The witnesses were Messrs. Ma Koon-shun and Pang Shau-chun alias Pang Siu-hung.

Miss Leung Kwai-fong, of 101 Wanchai Road, became the bride of Mr. Mok Wai-hay, student. The witnesses were Messrs. Leung Kwok-chiu and Tsang Ching-hau.



Messrs. Li Chung-sang and Pang Min-fat witnessed the marriage between Mr. Li Pul-tai, student, and Miss Chua Yun-nin, of Shek Kip Mei, Shamshuipo.

Train Thief 'Lost His Life for £8'

MRS. AGNES GIVEN SIMPSON, of York-street, Portman-square, W., who was attacked by a man in a train near Edinburgh and robbed of her handbag containing £8, was told that he had been found dead beside the line.

She said: "Poor devil. To think he lost his life for the sake of £8! If only he had asked me for money I should probably have given it to him."

The man who attacked her was Lance-Bombardier Norman Arthur Kingsmill, aged twenty-five, a native of London. Four months ago he was posted from the Royal Artillery to the 3rd Anti-Aircraft Division, Edinburgh, where he worked as a clerk.

He jumped from the train to avoid capture, and was found with Mrs. Simpson's handbag near him.

Mrs. Simpson, who is thirty-five, had nine stitches put in a head wound at Edinburgh.

'HE DO NOT SPEAK'

She has just returned from a holiday in the south of France, and travelled on the London-Edinburgh night express to visit friends at Invergorston.

She said: "The man came into the same carriage at King's Cross and at first I thought it strange he should have no hat and no luggage. He did not speak."

"I dozed off. Somewhere on the last run into Edinburgh I was awakened by a blow on the head. I had been struck with my own gramophone case. "I hit out, and we fought furiously for a few minutes. He tried to get my throat, and I think I bit him on the hand."

"Then I got free from his grip, and escaped to the next compartment. I saw him run along the corridor."

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H.K. Naval Volunteer Mobilisation

The Hongkong Naval Volunteers Force was fully mobilised yesterday. The Force has been partially mobilised since the outbreak of the war, but the calling up of the entire force will mean that approximately 80 Europeans and 100 Chinese are on duty.

The full mobilisation has been rendered necessary by the extension of the minefields around Hongkong. Both entrances to the harbour are heavily mined and the fields extend practically right round British territorial waters.

In order to safeguard ships from sailing into the fields, large numbers of mine watchers are necessary, and this is where the Naval Volunteers are employed.

It has also been found necessary to augment the number of mine watching craft and many privately owned launches and small craft have been taken over by the Admiralty. These range from the luxury diesel-driven picnic launches of wealthy residents to the grimy utility coal burners of stevedoring companies. The Governor's private launch Britannia has also been taken over. The number of craft commandeered is, in some quarters, estimated at 75.

No Mufti Now

Members of the three Services will no longer be seen in Hongkong in mufti.

As from yesterday, it is obligatory for all members to wear uniforms at all times.

A military spokesman said the Army in Hongkong had been placed on active service, and would wear uniform for the duration of the war. The order does not apply to the Volunteers.

LOYALTY OF SIKHS

Hongkong Khalsa Divan Passes Resolution

A resolution expressing their loyalty to the Colony and giving an assurance of their deep devotion to any duties that might be entrusted to them was passed by the Khalsa Divan of Hongkong recently.

Replying to the resolution, which was conveyed to the Colonial Secretary through the Commissioner of Police, Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, expressed gratification at this assurance of the Sikh community's loyalty and support in this time of emergency.



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APPEAL TO POWERS

China Able To Carry On With Slight Help

Nanyo, Hunan, Oct. 25.
"The American people should look far into the future rather than the immediate present, and carry the policy of championing the Open Door and Nine Power Pact one step further by burning the sale of war materials to Japan," declared General Pai Chung-hsi, the veteran Strategist and deputy Chief of Staff. General Pai said that such a policy would greatly assist China and was the only possible means of protecting American interests in the Far East. "China can carry on the war with slight assistance, but cannot prevent Japanese encroachment on United States rights. The matter also concerns France and Britain, both of whom are also suffering at the hands of the Japanese. These three Powers should co-operate in the Far East."

Drawing on historical parallel with the World War, General Pai said that the United States joined the Allies to "uphold the justice and righteousness of this Far East. Now President Roosevelt like President Wilson, must likewise uphold justice and righteousness. Undoubtedly a large number of far-sighted Americans share this point of view, but unfortunately there is a minority, the isolationists, who do not see the situation in the same broad light, and try to place the desires of munitions makers above these high principles. That is why so many obstacles prevent the passage of legislation to stop the sale of munitions to aggressors. Such attitude is shortsighted because it sacrifices the principles which make for the security of trade, and if it fails to create security in the Far East, in the long run personal and individual interest will suffer when the Japanese get the upper hand in China."

French Policy Criticized

General Pai severely criticized the French policy of placing restrictions on imports, especially of petroleum and steel, through Indo-China. "Frankly I am not satisfied, for the French imposed restrictions before the outbreak of the European war. We protested, and the restrictions were somewhat relaxed, but were again imposed. The present restrictions are beyond understanding. This is equivalent to assisting Japan."

General Pai said that he understood the restrictions were due to the French fear of Japan, but he warned that "it is well to remember that Japan not only wants Chinese rights, but French, British and American rights in the Far East. One cannot expect that if we cannot protect our rights against Japan and Japanese aggression, a third Power will not be able to protect their rights. Conversely if China is able to defend her rights against Japan, a third Power will also be safe. Our rights are distinct and clearly defined. Now a European war has begun we do not expect material assistance from France, but we hope the routes will be kept open for our transport purposes."

General Pai refused to comment on the Chinese attitude towards the European war, except to point out that "we stand by our friends." However, questioned on the possibility of Britain and France bringing pressure on Japan if the Allies win, General Pai said: "That's what I would do in a similar position. He predicted that it would take the Japanese two months to recover from the recent defeat and preparation for a similar drive. The Chinese strategy was at present unchanged.—United Press.

COMMUNIST MENACE

Nine Countries Confer At Tokyo Meeting

Tokyo, Oct. 26.
With 25 delegates of nine different countries in East Asia attending the Far Eastern anti-Communist conference was inaugurated yesterday. Measures being discussed include the establishment of joint organs to combat the Communist menace and joint inquiries into counter-measures against the manoeuvres of the Third International. Representatives at the conference are the Philippines, Thailand, India, Inner Mongolia, Manchukuo and China. Chinese Japans and Mohammedans have also sent delegates.—Domet.

Another Explanation

New York, Oct. 26.
A fifth version of the sinking of the Athenia is given by the New York Daily News. According to officials of two German salvage companies and a German diplomatic official, the liner was sunk because she was carrying £12,000,000 worth of gold bullion.
It is reported that German salvage companies marked the spot where the Athenia sank as "the world's richest wreck." It was stated before that the liner sank in water so deep that divers could not get to her.—Reuter Bulletin.

PRESSMEN RETURN

Visit to Changsha Front Proves Success

Chungking, Oct. 26.
The party of foreign correspondents who were visiting the North Hunan front, returned here yesterday by plane laden with "war trophies." The party did not actually get to the front line positions because several of them decided to return to Chungking after having reached the Miao River.
Questioned regarding the authenticity of the Chinese victory at Changsha, one of the correspondents smiled and said, "There certainly are no Japanese there."—Reuter.

LATE NEWS

STILL FRIENDLY

Japanese Envoy Reassures German Government

Tokyo, Oct. 26.
On the eve of his departure for home, Lieut-General Hiroshi Oshima, the retiring Japanese Ambassador to Germany, called on Herr Hitler at the German Chancellery on Tuesday afternoon.
A Berlin dispatch to the Asahi Shimbun claims that Ambassador Oshima assured the German Fuehrer that friendly relations still existed between Japan and Germany and that Japanese would entertain no ill feelings against the Reich in consequence of the German-Soviet agreements and the European war.
The Berlin message further understood that Ambassador Oshima thanked the German Fuehrer for his support for Japan's programme for the construction of a new order in East Asia.
Ambassador Oshima was ordered home by the Foreign Office on October 6. It is believed that Mr. Saburo Kurusu, at present Japanese Ambassador at Brussels, will replace General Oshima at Berlin.—Domet.

REDS IN INDO-CHINA

More Than a Hundred Arrested

Following the banning of the Communist party in France, measures against Communists have been taken in French Indo-China.

The Governor-General, states L'Opinion (Saigon), issued a proclamation prohibiting any form of activity intended, either directly or indirectly, to assist the Third Communist International, or organisations controlled by it.

All literature concerning the Third International is banned, and penalties up to five years' imprisonment and heavy fines may be imposed for breaches of the regulations.
L'Opinion states that suspected Communists in Indo-China are being arrested and in the central prison there are at present more than 100 Annamite Communists. Two women are among the suspects.

BARRACKS BURGLARY

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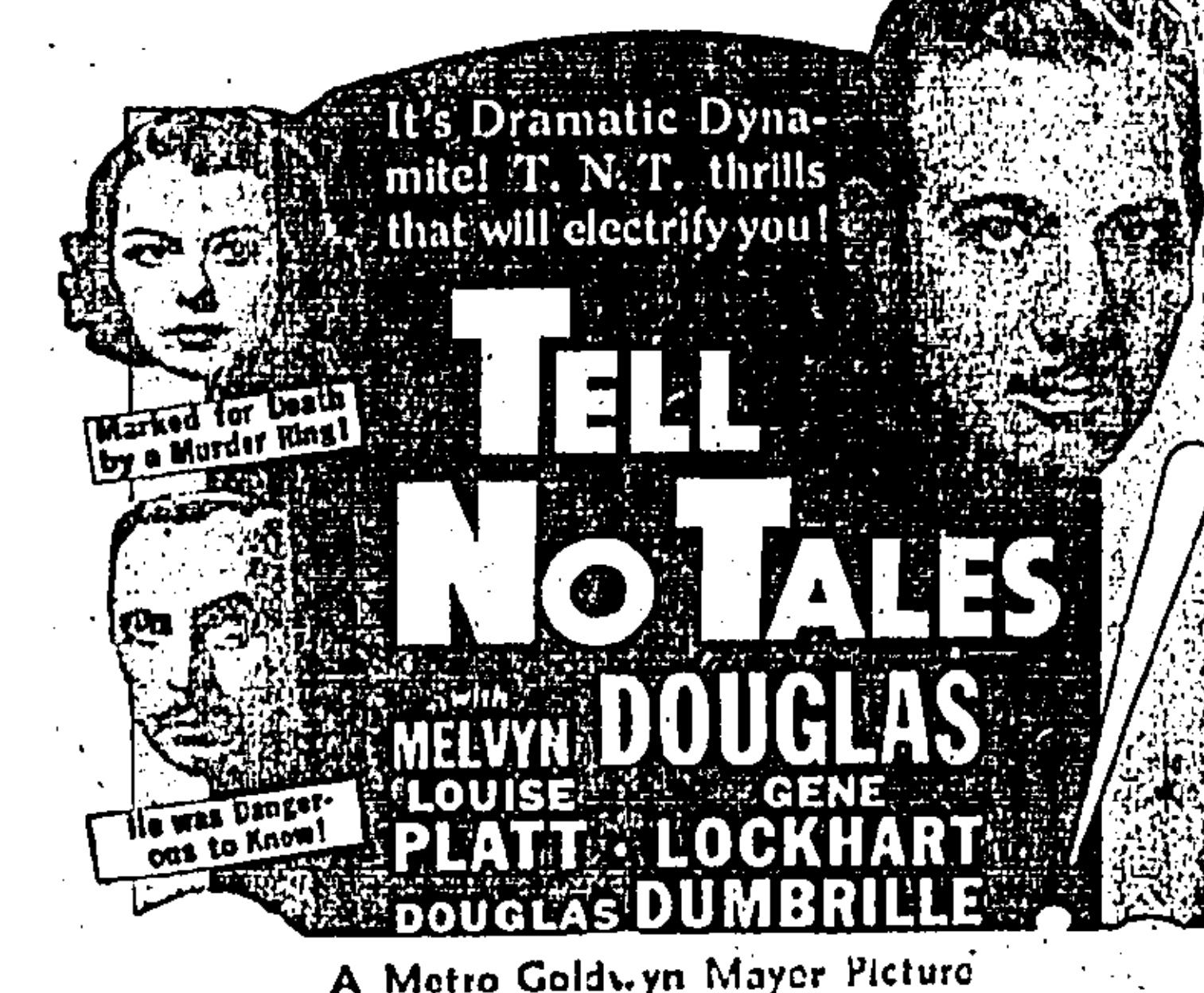
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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Oct. 26 (UP).—The guilt of war must rest squarely on the shoulders of Hitler and his Nazi leaders, declared Mr. Chamberlain in the House of Commons to-day.

The Prime Minister commented disdainfully on the German Foreign Minister's speech in Danzig on Tuesday, and said that it was replete with distortions of the truth.

He expressed the hope that the German people would come to realise all the circumstances involved.

History, he said, would judge how far von Ribbentrop has failed to comprehend either the British policy or the British people.

"If the German Foreign Minister's assertion is correct, that Germany is determined to resist to the utmost, there can be but one reply—and we are prepared to give it," Mr. Chamberlain declared amid ringing cheers from the entire House.

IN THE HOUSE OF LORDS

HALIFAX LAUGHS AT RIBBENTROP

LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Lord Halifax, the British Foreign Secretary, speaking on the international situation in the House of Lords to-day, referred to the speech made by Herr von Ribbentrop and said he had never seen a more clumsy attempt to divide England and France.

That seemed to be the main purpose of the speech. And never had confidence between France and Britain been more complete and intimate than it was to-day.

The speech left him with the conviction that, however, unsuccessful Herr von Ribbentrop had been in understanding the British people in France, he was less successful in understanding the joint mind of Britain and France. (Cheers.)

Would Be Amusing

The spectacle of an innocent Germany frightened by the dangers of an attack by Poland, and only a short time ago by Czechoslovakia, and the victim of sinister plotting by Britain would, if the whole matter was not so serious, bring smiles to the lips of gods and men.

Replying to the suggestion that British treaty relations with Russia should be restored, Lord Halifax said that to have a balanced picture of the whole situation it must be remembered that the recent Soviet action in the Baltic states and the anxiety not only to quarrel immediately concerned, and the situation created was not by any means wholly clear.

Finnish-Soviet Doubts

It was certainly by no means clear at present what the precise position was in the negotiations between Soviet and Finland.

"It certainly is not clear what the reaction in certain circles will be in the Scandinavian countries and outside if a deadlock in those negotiations should be reached," said Lord Halifax.

"As far as we are aware, there should be no conflict of interest between the Soviet and Finland that is not capable of adjustment, and the British Government hoped that the discussions now proceeding would be brought to reasonable conclusions."

TWO POCKET CRUISERS NOW IN THE ATLANTIC

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
PARIS, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Well-informed circles state that it now seems likely that two German pocket-battleships, the Admiral von Scheer and the Deutschland, are operating in the Atlantic.

Prince Comes of Age



FATHER AND SON IN UNIFORM.—Crown Prince Michael of Rumania, photographed with his father, King Carol. Prince Michael came of age this week.

Liberal Leader Seeks Friendship Of Soviet

LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Major C. R. Attlee, leader of the Opposition, said he was glad to hear that they were grappling with the submarine menace.

It would be a mistake to crow too soon, but at the present stage they were entitled to say that they were holding the menace in check.

Referring to the speech made by Herr von Ribbentrop, Major Attlee said it struck him as a fairly complete exposure of Herr von Ribbentrop himself, and was not worth following up.

If the speech was to end peace suggestions, they would have to face it, but they could not be deterred from doing their duty by any threats.

"We stand, as we always stood, for peace, but it must be a real peace based on principle," said Major Attlee.

"Whether there is peace or not rests with the German people. I hope that in due course they will tell Herr von Ribbentrop and the rest that they want peace."

Woo Russia, Is Urged
Sir Archibald Sinclair, the Liberal Leader, stated that the Liberals supported the Prime Minister's attitude regarding the speech made by Herr von Ribbentrop, and urged that they should not allow their relations with Russia to stagnate in the present unsatisfactory, and even dangerous, position.

Particularly in the commercial field progress ought to be made. If Russia is compelled to work out her own destiny in collaboration with the Germans, doubtless she would be able to do so.

But the British Government ought, by vigorous initiative, first in the diplomatic field, to convince the Soviet Government that the interests of Russia and the general interest of mankind in order, peace and reconstruction in Europe would best be served by the earliest possible achievement of understanding and collaboration between the governments of Russia and those of Great Britain and France.

REICH TO ROB SAVINGS TO FINANCE WAR

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, Oct. 26 (UP).—It is understood that the Government intends to mobilise savings bank deposits and insurance company funds "to a certain extent" to finance war measures.

CITY OF FLINT

AMERICAN DEMAND TO SOVIET Want Release Of Seized Ship

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, Oct. 26 (UP).—Secretary of State Cordell Hull to-day disclosed that United States has sent a demand to Russia for the release of the City of Flint and her cargo to her American crew.

He indicated that similar strong representations are being made to Berlin.

Further, he disclosed that the United States Ambassador to Moscow has been authorised to send United States officials to Murnansk to determine first hand exactly what transpired.

Ship Released Report
MOSCOW, Oct. 26 (UP).—A broadcast communique to-day said the City of Flint has been released and ordered to leave immediately.

However, it was not indicated whether the vessel would be released with a German prize crew or her own regular American crew.

Another report said the Soviet Government has ordered the City of Flint, released, supposedly with a German prize crew aboard, and that the ship has been ordered to sail immediately from Murnansk.

Repeated Demands

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—The United States has made several demands to the Soviet Government to release the City of Flint with her crew and cargo, according to an announcement made by Mr. Cordell Hull to-day.

No reply has yet been received although the United States Ambassador has had two interviews with the Vice-Commissar of Foreign Affairs.

Germany's Intention

BERLIN, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Germany intends to institute prize-court proceedings against the City of Flint. It is indicated in an official statement, which claims that the vessel was "rightly and legally detained."

Legal Seizure

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, Oct. 26 (UP).—It is officially announced that the American freighter City of Flint was "legally" captured carrying contraband subject to seizure.

Seizure is permissible, regardless of the percentage of cargo judged to be contraband, which makes no difference as far as the confiscation of this ship is concerned.

TELEPHONE MYSTERY

**Germany Cut Off
From Neighbours**

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Telephone communications with Germany have been interrupted since noon.

The reason is unknown.

It is learned from Brussels that telephone communication between Belgium and Germany is also interrupted.

Telephone communications between Germany and Scandinavia is also interrupted.

Interruptions appear to be due to the efficient of censorship.

Telegraphic communications are open.

Author Becomes War Correspondent

LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—M. Andre Maurois, the well-known author and writer, is one of the army of French war correspondents who have now arrived at the British Army Headquarters in France.

SNOW FALLS ON WESTERN FRONT

Bitterly Cold Weather Ends Possibility of Major Action

PARIS, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Snow is now falling behind certain sections of the Maginot Line, and bitterly cold weather and heavy rain are preventing any major action on the Western Front.

Another unsuccessful German attempt was made on Wednesday to drive the French from the hill-tops overlooking the Warndt Forest.

Fifty Germans in a raid east of the Moselle were repulsed without any Germans reaching the French lines.

Heavy German Losses

It is now estimated that the Germans lost between 2,000 and 3,000 men during attacks on Monday last week.

The French had already withdrawn the bulk of their troops and the German losses were due to the fire of French artillery covering the withdrawal of the outposts.

The Nazi Government is apparently hesitating.

On Wednesday night and to-day, Hitler had long conferences with the leaders of the Army and the Air Force.

This morning he also saw Field Marshal Goering and later they were joined by General Walther von Brauchitsch, head of the Army, and General Keitel, Chief of Staff.

This may be the prelude to another German offensive. (German troops are still reported to be moving up, or it may be an indication of Hitler's supreme perplexity.)

Units In Encounters

PARIS, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—A communique issued to-day states: "There have been encounters of contact units and reciprocal artillery actions on various points on the front."

German Forces Concentrating From North Sea To Swiss Border

PARIS, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Big concentrations of German troops and planes, and incessant movements of material are taking place along the German North Sea coast from Emden to the mouth of the Ems, and past Bremen as far as the mouth of the Elbe.

These movements are also noticeable near the Swiss border, according to the "Amsterdam Telegram."

France Rounds Up The Spies

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
PARIS, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Charles Roos, former councillor of the Benelux Department, has been sentenced to death by court-martial on a charge of delivering important military secrets to German espionage agents.

A man named Lobstein, charged with espionage, was also sentenced to death, while three other spies were sentenced to five years hard labour.

CARGO SHIP SINKS U-BOAT IN GUN DUEL

LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—A cargo ship sank a U-boat after a desperate shell duel, according to the story told to the "South Wales Argus" by an officer of the ship.

The U-boat came up to the surface almost under the ship's starboard bow, when the crew were dining.

After a duel in which the ship was not hit, the U-boat dived, re-emerging three miles away.

FINNISH OPTIMISM

**M. Tanner Returning
To Moscow**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINKI, Oct. 26 (UP).—The Minister of Finance, M. Tanner, told the press that he expects to return to Moscow next Sunday evening.

He said that he remained optimistic. "The case has gone forward a bit," he added.

He described the Kremlin sessions as being cordial and friendly, with M. Stalin doing most of the talking for the Soviet side.

M. Tanner does not expect to make any additions to the delegation.

Finland Cannot Yield

HELSINKI, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—The Finnish Foreign Office spokesman says that the Soviet demands include certain points on which Finland cannot yield.

No indication of what those demands are is given, but the Finnish Foreign Minister reiterates that Finland is determined to maintain her independence.

The Finnish delegation to Moscow will not leave Helsinki until the government has fully considered the Soviet demands and decided on the course to adopt.

Meanwhile, besides laying mines, Finnish defence measures include a blackout which will be held in Helsinki to-morrow.

Finnish Preparedness

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
HELSINKI, Oct. 26 (UP).—As a further strengthening of Finland's defence preparations, an

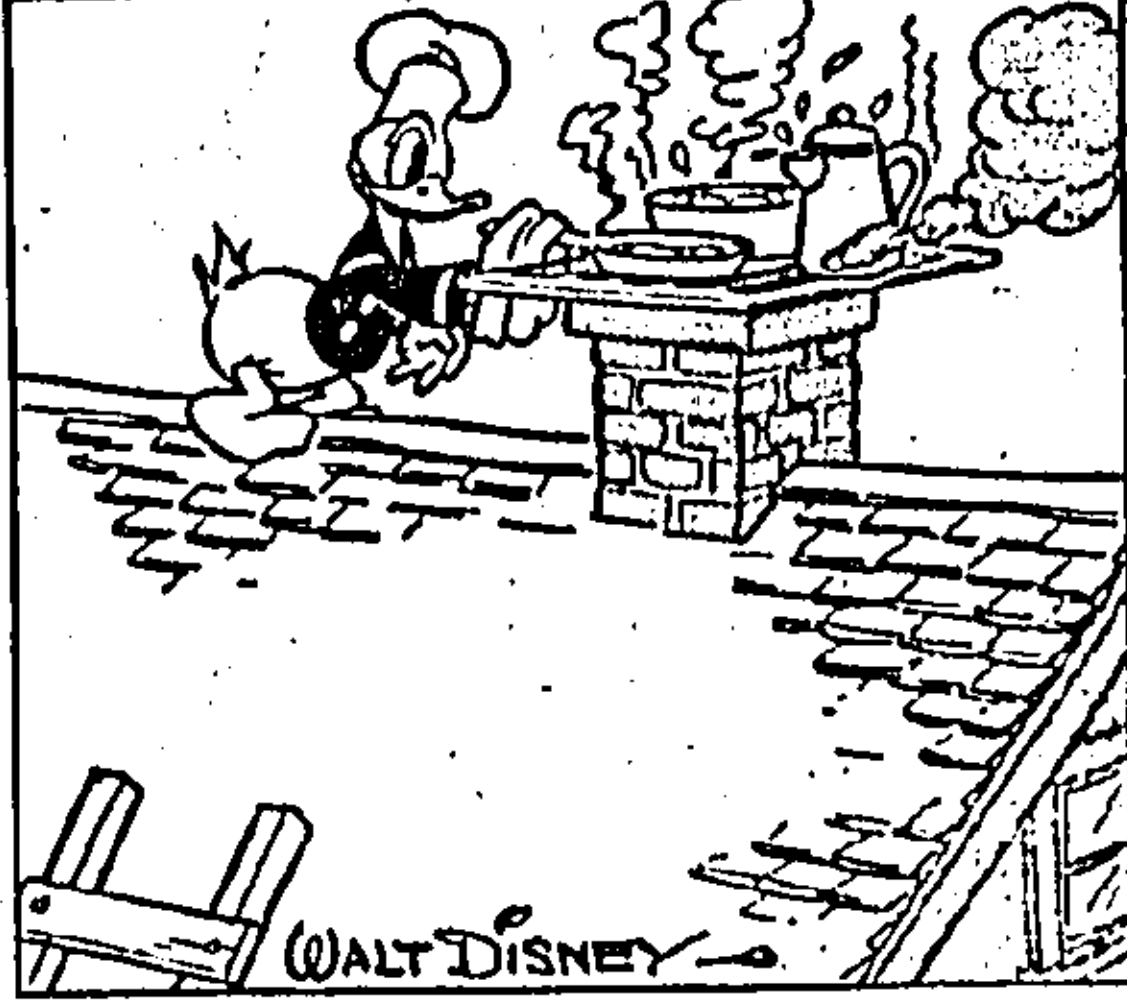
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Wartime activity in Australia,

War-time activity in Australia, where women are coming forward in large numbers to learn to drive lorries was described by a passenger who arrived yesterday by the Imperial Airways plane after a five-day trip from Sydney. She is Mrs. E. D. Taylor, of Sydney, who has arrived to stay with her brother-in-law in Hongkong Dr. C. H. Burton.

Mrs. Taylor's trip indicates that Imperial Airways is still able to maintain fast connection between parts of Empire despite the war. Leaving Sydney on Saturday morning, by Qantas flying-boat, she arrived at Townsville the first day, Sourabaya, the second, Singapore the third and Bangkok the fourth, where she caught the Delphinus for Hong-kong.

"There were great scenes of

enthusiasm when war was declared in Sydney and quite a panic for a start with everyone talking about rushing off to the war straight away," said Mrs. Taylor.

The excitement calmed down when it was found that men were not required immediately for service overseas.

"Although many men have not lost

their jobs as a result of the war, they are being put through military training camps for stretches of six to eight weeks at a time away from work," she said.

Dissension had been caused in the organisation of the canteens attached to the military camps. "Wet" canteens had been provided only for officers. As a result, men had been breaking camp to get liquor at the

"The out-cry has been so strong



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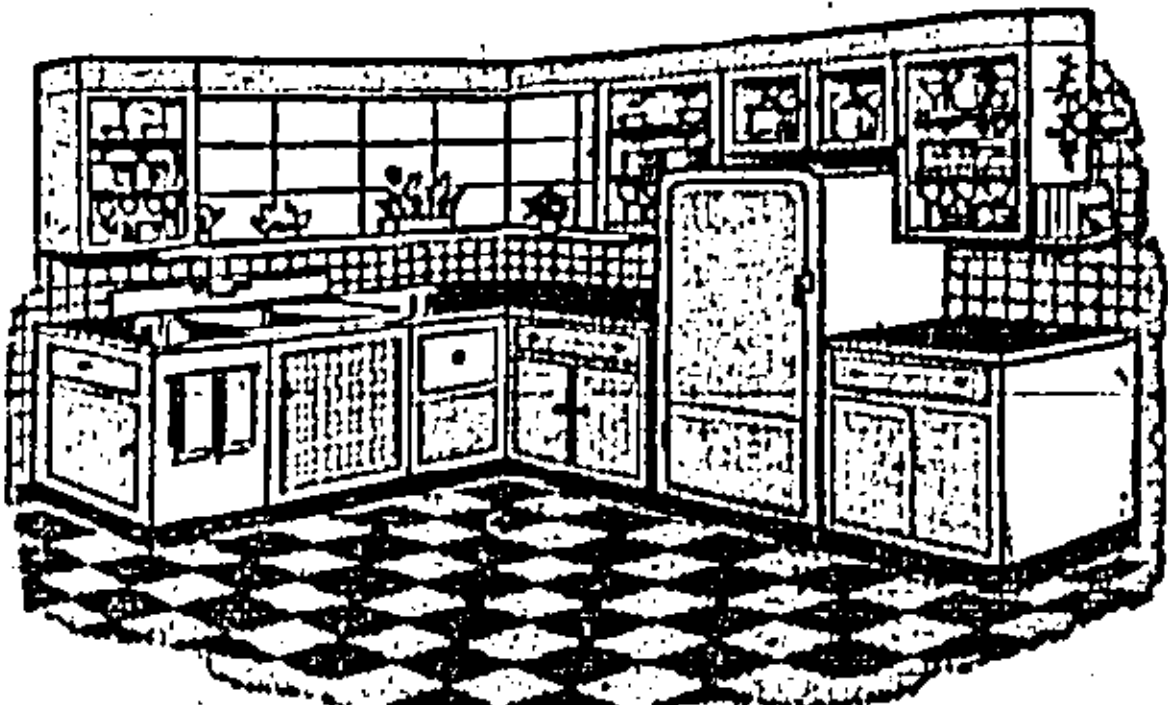
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The Empire

It has now been made clear to Germany that the whole strength of the British Empire is deployed against her in the war on freedom. All the members of the British Commonwealth of Nations are agreed, as they were in 1914, to fight out, till victory is won, the battle against aggression.

The resources of a fifth of the world, on Field-Marshal Goering's estimate, are now devoted irrevocably to the overthrow of Nazism.

That should cause and searching of heart in German councils.

If reason still exercises any sway there, it must find even more depressing the fact that the resolve of the Nations of the Empire was made in perfect freedom, and only in South Africa was there enough difference of opinion to require a vote.

The leaders of Germany believed, or at least they told their people, that the British Empire would break into fragments under the menace of war.

Their predecessors made the same prophecy in 1914. But Germans have since been instructed that the evolution of the Empire into self-governing States has destroyed any chance of united action, the virus of democracy has corrupted its strength.

Now the German people must awake to discover that freedom has fortified the unity of the Commonwealth. They have proof enforced upon them that powerful, prosperous States in complete liberty to choose their own course are determined to join more closely together that they may achieve, in Gen. Smuts's words, "the destruction of Hitlerism and all that it implies."

The choice pronounces the judgment of civilised mankind on Herr Hitler's rule.

How the nations of the Empire can most usefully bring their power to bear is not a question to be answered hastily.

They are all much stronger than they were in 1914, stronger by military experience and by development of their natural resources and population.

The military strength of India has greatly increased from the lessons learnt in the last war, from the modernisation of her army and from the results of Lord Chatfield's report.

But it is not only by the dispatch of expeditionary forces that the Dominions can serve the common cause. To maintain industries which will give a constant flow of munitions and an agricultural efficiency which will assure food supplies for the fighting front and the home base is of the first importance.

That twofold task we are now well assured will be accomplished.

REORIENTATION

Who's Who in Japan's Cabinet

NEW men take over in Japan.

Out of office goes Baron Hiranuma, extreme right-winger, waver of war on China, the man who planned everything on Hitler's help.

"I am so filled with trepidation that I cannot stay in office any longer," he said, when he heard that Hitler had signed a pact with Russia.

Into his shoes steps General Nobuyuki Abe. (The Japanese pronounce him "Arbay," but no Englishman could resist calling him Abe.)

Abe's Cabinet has now been formed. There is not one single man to be found in it who was in the outgoing Cabinet.

This is no mere formal change of government. These new men mean new policies—a reorientation of Japanese diplomacy. They are Japan's idea of a "National" Government.

They are men of all sorts—generals, admirals, civil servants, judges, business men. There are even two regular, whole-time politicians.

All of them are supposed to be "liberal" and moderate. Who and what are they? Here is something about each:

General Nobuyuki Abe, Prime Minister. He is 64 years old and has a wide, smiling face. He wears rimless spectacles, and across his upper lip runs a short, clipped, half-inch-wide moustache.

Three years ago he retired from the Army and has since been living quietly in Tokyo.

Among Japanese soldiers he is remarkable for the fact that he has never been on active service. He has had the good fortune, or the good sense, to spend most of his time at headquarters.

In this way he rose to be Supreme War Councillor during the two last years of his military career.

During the last year or two he has begun to be forgotten by the Japanese public and he has never had any assured political following. All the same he has a good deal of popularity, most of which he inherits from General Ugaki, one-time Foreign Secretary, a man of great standing, who took Abe under his wing.

Ugaki is reputed to be a moderate, no everybody takes it that Abe is moderate, too, and they let him back in Ugaki's reflected popularity.

The Mikado has chosen Abe because he is supposed to stand above the fiercest factions. He was never one of the men who put their trust in Hitler. Nor is he one of the men who think that after the events of the past week Japan should at once attempt to redress her balance with a British alliance.

Abe would like to be anti-German and anti-British at the same time. He is expected to carry on the war against China in complete isolation from the rest of the world.

How easy it will be, time will show him.

General Shunroku Hata, War Minister. His appointment has surprised, shocked the Army. The Army usually nominates the War Minister and it did not nominate Hata.

Hata has always been right outside politics. It is not his good speculation whether he is left or right. Nobody knows what he is. Presumably Abe thinks him moderate.

But if Hata is unknown as a politician, he is very much known as a soldier. Throughout 1938 he was Japanese Commander-in-Chief in China.

The papers have boosted him as a popular hero and his name is particularly linked with the landing of troops at Hanchow and the driving of the Chinese from Shanghai.

As Commander-in-Chief he repeatedly said he meant no harm to Britain and America and he liked to maintain personal and cordial relations with British Generals and diplomats.

It was only after he was recalled to Japan last January and made chief Aide-de-Camp to the Mikado that the anti-British campaign broke out in full fury.

Kazuo Aoki, Minister of Finance. The brains of the new Government. Also the youngest member of the Government, being only 54. He has been a leading official in the Ministry of Finance for years. He has also built himself a reputation as an economist and has been a lecturer at four Japanese universities.

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Kakichi Kawarada, Minister of Education. Rather a mysterious figure. As Minister of Home Affairs in 1937 he tried to experiment with the election system and to establish

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lish the Japanese Parliament on the Italian Fascist model.

He is yet another Civil servant and has spent most of his life in the Home Ministry. His specialty is Labour problems, and he knows Europe through his periodic visits to the International Labour Office. As a side-line, he is managing director of a company.

Vice-Admiral Takuo Godoh, Minister of Commerce, Agriculture and Forestry, is Japan's No. 1 business man. He is extremely well-known, very active and go-ahead. The sea is only his second love.

He speaks fluent German, knows Germany's economic system well and has co-operated with the lords of German heavy industry in developing railways in Manchukuo. Abe hopes to use him as a poacher-turned-game keeper.

Most of his power and wealth comes from iron, steel, armaments and railways. He is President of the Tokyo Chamber of Commerce and is now 62 years old.

Ryusaku Nagai, Minister of Communications and Railways. A real politician. He is very popular in the country.

He is one of the brightest lights in the Minto— the Japanese "Liberal Party," one of the country's two historic political parties.

He has often been a Cabinet Minister before and was the favourite of Count Okuma, one of the great pioneers of the Japanese Liberal Party. His nickname is "Okuma No. 2."

Tsuneko Kanemitsu, Minister of Overseas Affairs, is a member of the other historic party—the Seiyukai, or Conservatives. He ought to be able to guarantee Conservative support for the new Government.

Kanemitsu has a finger in many pies. He has been a civil servant and he is director of about a dozen companies—mostly insurance companies. Not long ago he was deputy-speaker of the House of Representatives.

Vice-Admiral Zengo Yoshida, veteran of the Great War, Commander-in-Chief of the Combined Fleet, brings all his naval prestige to the post of Navy Minister.

Ryusaku Endo, ex-civil servant, member of the House of Peers, with long experience of administering Japan's colonies on the Chinese mainland, including Manchuria, becomes Chief Secretary to the Cabinet.

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Mexico Offers Oil To The Allies

MEXICO CITY. High Government officials indicated recently that the Allies would experience no difficulty if they wished to obtain supplies of petroleum from Mexico.

President Cardenas, it was stated, intends to sell oil and other products to European belligerents who "deserve Mexico's sympathy," and those belligerents, it was made clear, were Britain, France and Poland.

Mr. W. R. Davis, the American who arranged the \$5,000,000 oil barter deal between Mexico and Germany, here left Mexico, and it is reported that the agreement has been cancelled.

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OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

Austria Also Has Secret Station

LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter Bulletin).—Austria now has an anti-Nazi radio station like the "Freedom Station" in Germany which has been a thorn in the side of the Nazi officials. Last night the Austrian station commented on the British Empire and said, "Judge for yourself the conditions of the British possessions men are free to decide for themselves if they want to join Britain in the war. Would Hitler dare to grant such rights to oppressed Austria?"

Soviet Terms May Be Rejected

Helsinki, Oct. 26. Finnish negotiations with the Soviet may not continue according to the Finnish Premier, M. Erkkö. If the situation becomes so grave that negotiations cannot be continued, he will put the cards on the table and speak frankly.

Meanwhile precautionary measures are being continued in Finland. The Government has banned the export of foreign and Finnish currency and all Finns possessing foreign currency must hand it to the State Bank.—Reuter Bulletin.

Renewed Defence Precautions

Helsinki, Oct. 26. Mines have been laid off the southern coast of Finland as a precautionary measure. Donations to the national defence fund are steadily coming in from the whole country.—Reuter Special.

Beat Mr. Chamberlain

Helsinki, Oct. 26. M. Paasilin, M. Tanner and two other members of the delegation returned from Moscow at 8.35 a.m. and were welcomed by a crowd of several thousand, including the Premier, Cabinet Ministers and the Ministers of Norway, Sweden and Denmark. The delegation went to the Foreign Office to confer.

M. Paasilin out-umbrellaed Mr. Chamberlain—he was carrying two umbrellas when the photographers caught only one. M. Tanner joked by saying, "Show them both."—United Press.

Soviet Protests To Britain

Moscow, Oct. 26. Russia has strongly protested to Britain in connection with the examination of Soviet ships under the War Contraband Control and reserves the right to claim compensation for any losses. In a Note replying to the British Note of September 8 and 11 regarding contraband.

The Note refuses to recognise the validity and bases the Government standpoint on the Declaration of Regulations of Naval Warfare of 1909.

The Note declares that by including in the contraband list such articles as fuel, paper, cotton, fodder for livestock, footwear and even foodstuffs which are articles of mass consumption, Britain creates the possibility of unlimited arbitrariness in classing all articles of popular consumption as contraband.—Reuter.

Contention Untenable

London, Oct. 26. Information has been received from authoritative quarters that the Soviet contention is completely untenable.

The International Conference of 1909 which drafted the so-called Declaration of London was abortive, as the declaration was never ratified by any country and went by the board in the first week of the war in 1914.

The position under International Law to-day is that any belligerent Government can decline to apply its peaceable contraband.—Reuter.

Germany Is Much Worse

London, Oct. 26. The Star says that Russia's Note regarding the blockade is like the United States' protests against interference with neutral trade during the World War, but it points out that Russia raises questions which were never touched by the United States.

"The answer to the Russians" is that Germany is carrying out a complete contraband warfare wherever it can be coupled with illegal attacks, not only on enemy ships but neutral ships," the paper continues. "She is not starving us of food only because we are preventing her."—United Press.

ANOTHER REVIEW BY PREMIER

House of Commons Is Informed of Progress Of War: British Home Defence Praised

In the House of Commons yesterday afternoon the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, delivered his weekly review of the war situation.

The Prime Minister said that though there had been no material change on the Western Front, on the sea there had been some losses of British ships which had been more than offset by German losses and that the Government was confident that the U-boat menace was being coped with efficiently. In the air German air attacks had been ineffective, though there had been several serious German losses.

Soviet Russia is now credited in some quarters with designs on two of Sweden's most important ports in the Baltic. Germany is said to be informed of Soviet diplomacy to gain control of this sea.

A Finnish spokesman states that any agreement with Russia affecting the independence of the country will have to be considered by the Parliament. Mine fields have been laid along the entire south Finnish coast.

London, Oct. 26. The newly appointed Italian Ambassador Signor Bastianini was in the Diplomatic Gallery to hear Mr. Chamberlain present his weekly review of the situation to the House of Commons to-day.

The Prime Minister said in the past week there had been no operations of importance on the Western Front.

Minor adjustments in the positions occupied had been made and the general result was that the French and German forces were now on the line of their common frontier.

A steady stream of material for the British Expeditionary Force continued, and the defences in the British sector were being continually strengthened.

In the air the aircraft of the Fighter Command had again been in action. Mr. Chamberlain referred to the morning attack on the convoy on October 21 and said it was probable that two of the six bombers were destroyed, in the afternoon attempt, made by two formations of nine and twelve bombers respectively, it was certain that four and probably five planes were destroyed.

Successes to Report

The next day one or two bombers were shot down off Saint Abb's. "We suffered no damage," added Mr. Chamberlain.

"The work of the coastal units has been almost continuous. This week there were certain successes to report. Mines in the path of convoys and been detected from the air in time to save the ships of the convoy from danger, and seven U-boats have been sighted."

"Of these, four have been attacked. There is good reason to believe that at least one was severely damaged and another destroyed by naval vessels directed to the scene by the attacking aircraft."

Mr. Chamberlain then referred to the admirable work of the anti-aircraft gunners, who in the Rosyth and Scapa Flow raids brought down two German bombers. Mr. Chamberlain

Ribbentrop Speech Reactions

London, Oct. 26. The Times declares that Ribbentrop's first failure as Ambassador to London was followed by a series of blunders which landed Germany in the worst diplomatic position she has ever found herself in. "The demagogic hysteria, and hysteria is a bad basis on which to conduct what the Nazis themselves describe as a war of nerves. For years Ribbentrop was busily advising his chief that nothing would induce Britain to take up arms, yet on Tuesday he screamed: 'This war against Germany has been systematically prepared for years by the present British Government.'"

After enumerating the effects of his policy in Japan, Spain, Italy, the Baltic and central and south-eastern Europe, The Times says it would hardly be necessary to consider seriously the utterance of so disastrous a bungler if he did not still, unfortunately, occupy a position of international importance.

The Times declares that there is not the slightest doubt that Ribbentrop has antagonised large sections of opinion in his own country. He ended his lamentable speech with a call to that war against Britain which in itself falsifies his own forecasts and declares the bankruptcy of his own policy.

The Manchester Guardian says the French can safely be left to answer Ribbentrop's speech which concerns them, but points out that France had a pact of mutual assistance with Poland long before the National Government came into power in Britain. That pact was valid until the end, and was renewed by the Franco-Polish Governments twice.—Reuter.

added that they also caused such damage to other German bombers as to prevent their reaching home. In the war on the sea there had been an intensification of the German submarine campaign.

This intensification they had always expected, but he assured the House the situation was well in hand.

Rate of Destruction

In spite of one or two strokes of good fortune the enemy has not been able to attain the rate of sinking they attained at the beginning of the war.

Their submarines had been driven to operate further and further from their bases and further and further from the focal points where trade is bound to concentrate.

Finally the destruction of enemy submarines is being maintained at a sufficiently high rate to encourage them to believe that this menace to British trade would eventually be overcome.

Referring to the sinking of five British ships announced recently, Mr. Chamberlain said the Stenebec was sunk by the Deutschland some time ago, but the information of its loss has only just reached them. Together these ships aggregated 22,715 tons.

Enemy ships arrested by British blockade squadrons totalled 23,367 tons. In addition a ship of 4,574 tons scuttled herself to avoid capture. There was, therefore, a loss to the enemy of some 33,000 tons and a net gain to Britain of nearly 9,000 tons.

Growing Lawlessness

Calling attention to the growing lawlessness of the U-boat campaign, Mr. Chamberlain said, "It seems now to have become the rule for merchant ships to be sunk without warning. Frequently passengers and crew have been turned adrift in small open boats in stormy seas to suffer from cold and exposure."

"In the case of the Yorkshire in particular, there was a deplorable loss of life among the wives and children returning home from the East."

"Another blatant instance was the sinking of the French ship Bretagne carrying a large number of women and children."

"No words are strong enough to express our detestation of this cowardly form of warfare."—Reuter.

GERMANY MASSING TROOPS

London, Oct. 26. French military observers agree that the Germans have now massed enough men and materials for an attack on the whole front or part of it.

Luxemburg reports say that part of the Siegfried Line collapsed during the recent floods and that 40 were killed, but the French consider the terrain is generally still feasible for an offensive, and it would not be surprising as the Germans are reported to have completed the digging of trenches and are bringing up their artillery to new positions strategically evacuated by the French before October 16.

Increasing pressure on the whole front suggests an impending attack. The Germans, evidently eager to regain the valuable heights still held by the French south-east of Warndt Forest, made three attacks since Monday and were effectively repulsed.

Danish reports from Berlin say that Hitler and the army chiefs conferred yesterday. Troops are still moving to the Western Front.

French critics believe that the prolonged artillery preparation customary in the last war will be discarded for a brief, intensified fire designed to blind the defence before the onslaught is launched with every available arm, and special efforts will be made to disorganise the rear of the defence and prevent supplies and reinforcements arriving. These tactics were eminently successful in Poland, but the conditions there were too unequal for analogy.—Reuter.

NO GERMAN COMMERCE RAIDERS IN PACIFIC

TOKYO, Oct. 26 (Demos).—Asked by a foreign correspondent regarding the alleged activity of German commerce raiders in the Pacific Ocean and also whether there is any foreign submarine in the Pacific, the spokesman of the Foreign Office said to-day that it would be technically possible that German commerce raiders will show activity in the Pacific.

It requires, however, elaborate preparations on the part of Germany, the spokesman continued. He said that there has so far been no information of any activity of German commerce raiders in the Pacific.

He also added that he had no information as to the presence or appearance of foreign submarines in the Pacific.

The Japanese Navy, he pointed out has not been informed in any way of the so-called mystery submarine which was reported in a foreign message to have appeared off Alaska.

All Japanese submarines are operating in home waters and not a single Japanese submarine has ever attempted to penetrate foreign waters, the spokesman declared.

Questioned whether capital ships are safe from air attacks, the spokesman said that specifications in armament are kept secret by all countries. He expressed the opinion, nevertheless, that although pre-war dreadnaughts would betray some vulnerability to air attacks, up-to-date battleships would be well-provided against air attacks in view of the recent remarkable progress in aeronautics.

City Of Flint

American Crew Are Said Safe

Berlin, Oct. 25. It has been disclosed that Germany is negotiating with Russia regarding the location of the captured American steamship City of Flint.

The negotiations are understood to include the question of the release of the crew.

The Nazis claim they were forced to take the ship to the Russian coast due to the absence of a chart of the minefields guarding Nazi ports. They said that the ship's American crew apparently jettisoned the ship's charts. One German source said he had heard that the ship "is not in a seaworthy condition."—United Press.

Assurance of Safety

Washington, Oct. 26. Russian assurances that the City of Flint's crew are safe at Murmansk have caused relief among the officials of the State Department.

Mr. Cordell Hull has announced that the United States will take whatever action is justified.—United Press.

Wife Makes Appeal

Melrose, Mass., Oct. 26. Mrs. Joseph Gilmard, wife of the City of Flint's Captain, has sent messages to Herr von Ribbentrop and M. Molotov urgently requesting telegraphic information as to the whereabouts of her husband.

She asks for an assurance that her husband and crew are unharmed and states that a reply would greatly relieve the worries of any wife placed in such a situation.—United Press.

Dangerous Situation

New York, Oct. 26. The New York Times, commenting on the detention of the City of Flint, says that Germany has already sunk a large number of neutral vessels and the fact that the City of Flint is now in a Russian port instead of at the bottom of the sea is due to the fact that Germany does not desire to antagonise the great Western Power.

The delay of two days in which Russia informed the United States of the whereabouts of the City of Flint was due to the embarrassment caused by the Germans bringing the vessel into a Soviet port.

The New York Herald-Tribune says that the incident is full of diplomatic dynamite.—Reuter Bulletin.

Ship Still Held Up

London, Oct. 26. Russia has informed the United States that 41 members of the crew of the City of Flint have been released, but the vessel is delayed at Murmansk in order that the cargoes may be checked.

No explanation is given regarding this step as, according to international law, no neutral cargo could be examined in a neutral port.

The prize crew of 18 Germans have been released on the excuse that the City of Flint entered a Russian port for repairs, but it is understood that the release is attributed to German representations.—Reuter Bulletin.

NUMBER OF MUI TSAI

Substantial Decrease In Past Twelve Months

According to the Annual Report of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, which was tabled at the Legislative Council yesterday, the number of Mui Tsai registered at the beginning of the year was 1,396, but by the end of December it had been reduced to 1,102. About half of the cancellations were now earning their own living.

The number of girls registered under the Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance was 2,558. Sectional reports reveal that there were 3,772 permits issued for firecrackers, 2,027 being for weddings. Eighty-one books were registered, compared with 51 in 1937, and the number of Chinese newspapers registered on December 31 was 54, of which 15 were registered during the year.

U.S. And War

Setback For Isolationists

Washington, Oct. 26. Administration Senators have defeated the isolationists' attempt to curb President Roosevelt's powers of discretion applying to the pending Neutrality legislation. Meanwhile Senators Pittman, Barkley and others agreed that it might be possible to reach a final vote to-day.

The voting was 61 to 26 to defeat Senator Edwin John's amendment, which would have eliminated presidential discretion as to whether a conflict required application of the Neutrality Law or whether application should be automatic in any war.—United Press.

WARSHIP PATROL

Washington, Sept. 30. The "United States" Neutrality Patrol in the Atlantic Ocean is rapidly assuming the proportions of a major naval force. It is under command of Rear Admiral Alfred W. Johnson, Commander of the Atlantic Squadron.

Created by President Roosevelt to enforce neutrality proclamations, the patrol now consists of over 30 war-craft and at least 40 more are expected to be added as fast as they can be re-conditioned.

Although technically the patrol operates in all waters touching United States shores, the main scenes of activity are on the Atlantic side and in the Caribbean.—United Press.

Ambassador Explains

Washington, Oct. 26. Lord Lothian, British Ambassador, speaking before the Pilgrim Society, said that an armistice now would give Hitler six months to reorganise his army and make preparations for the next push on neighbouring countries before the Allies could meet it.

"I am sure that when peace comes it will not be another dictated peace, for the Allies will not take from Germany any of her legal rights," he declared.—Reuter Bulletin.

American Red Cross

Paris, Oct. 26. The first United States ambulance unit consisting of 20 cars will leave Paris for the Western Front in a fortnight's time, states the Paris edition of the New York Herald-Tribune. This will be followed by five more units.

The Volunteer Corps, which has already received donations of 3,000,000 francs, has ordered 24 ambulances. Two hundred stretch-bearers and drivers have been recruited.—Reuter Special.

SLANG OF THE TRIAD

Sinologist Gives Address To Y's Men

That the original Chinese Triad Societies were similar to the Ku Klux Klan of America, and the Carabiniere of Italy was the opinion voiced by Mr. T. Paul Gregory, when he spoke at "The Secret Slang of the Triad Society" to members of the Y's Men's Club at the St. Francis Hotel yesterday. Mr. S. B. Tan was Chairman.

Mr. Gregory traced the history of the Triad Society back to the end of the Ming Dynasty, when, he said, it was formed with the idea of driving out the Manchus, and returning the Ming Dynasty to the Throne. After being defeated in their object, the Societies were driven underground and eventually fell into disavowal.

He gave a number of written and oral examples of the slang expressions which were commonly used among the Triad members.

Mr. Peter N. Sin, thanked the speaker, and described the talk as being interesting and original.

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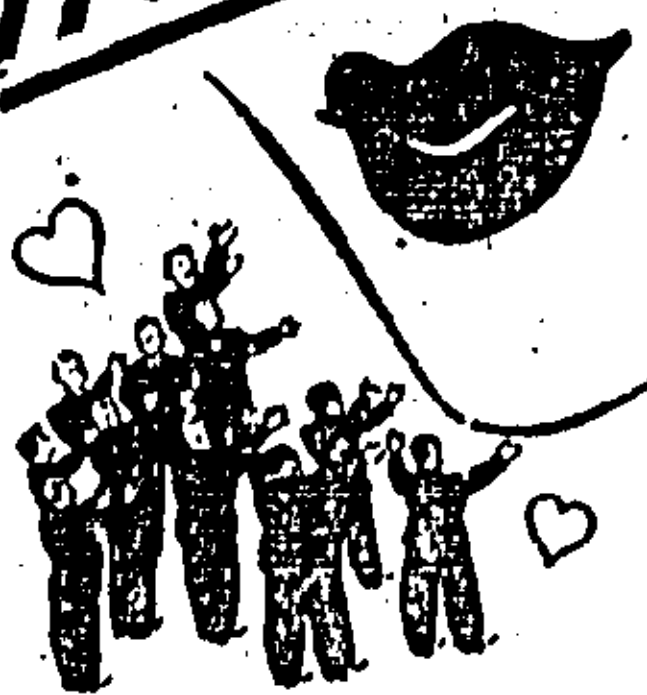
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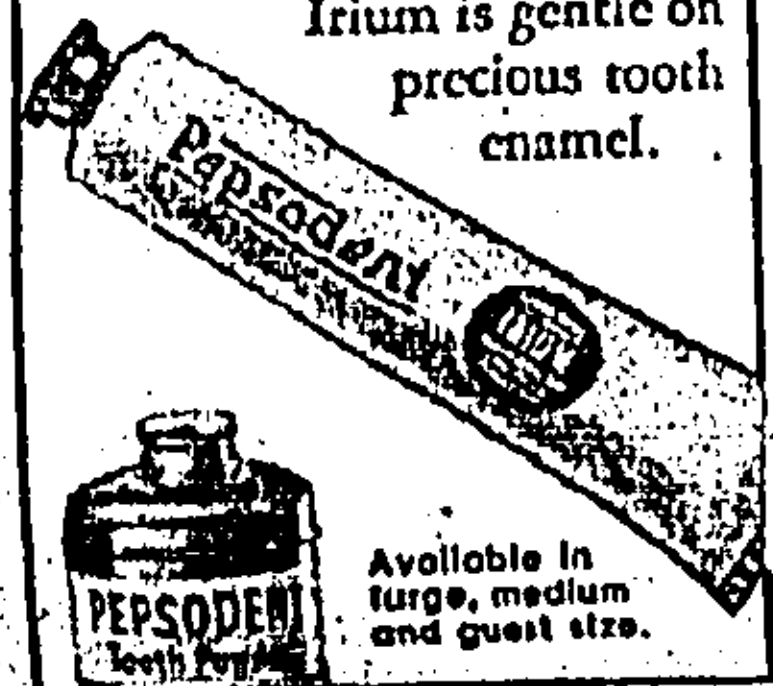


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Which are Easier
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Sonny thinks that Baby Sister's bath needs a little more cold water.

RECENTLY I stood at a window with a friend watching her small son who was playing on the lawn below. There was a rustle in the border and the child jumped back in alarm as a small kitten emerged from the plants.

"Isn't such a timid little boy," said his mother, disappointment in her voice. "I had fixed my hopes on a girl before he was born, and instead I have a girlish little boy." There was no doubting the resentment in her tone. Such a state of affairs can have disastrous effect upon the child, for little ones have an uncanny sense of atmosphere.

They know only too well whether they are really loved or simply tolerated from a mistaken sense of duty, and unhappily, indeed, is the lot of the youngster upon whose mind the fact is gradually impressed that he or she was unwanted from the start, a cause for disappointment.

I would beg of you, therefore, to face baby's arrival with an open mind, prepared to welcome it whether it turns out to be boy or girl, otherwise your little one will be forced to face life with a far more serious handicap than a physical disability.

Patience and medical skill can do so much to overcome bodily imperfections but nothing can replace a welcome generous in love and thoughtfulness that unto you a child is born.

Here is a selection of extracts from readers' letters asking advice on family matters, together with my replies.

Ugly Duckling

We had set our minds on a son who would inherit the business which I control. Instead we had a really plain little girl, although my wife and I are generally considered a handsome couple.

YOU made a mistake in the first place in planning your "son's" life before he was born. I have seen that lead to disaster time and time again. There was evidently confusion in your minds between founding a

family and providing a successor to your business; the two aims were not identical.

Remember, however, that well-trained women have controlled large business concerns before now and it is possible that your daughter may later develop a valuable flair for this type of life-work.

As regards her looks, I do not need to remind you of the nursery tale of the Ugly Duckling. Are you quite sure that either you or your wife bore out the promise of your good looks in early years?

It is very likely that your daughter will be bonny in ten years' time. Do not overlook the fact that intelligence and humour in a face are to be set far above regular features and a dazzling complexion.

Cause for Anxiety

My mother assures me that boy babies are more difficult to rear than girls. Certainly my daughter never looked back from the start, but the boy is giving us anxiety.

APPROXIMATELY seven boys are born to every five girls now-a-days. As there is a definite shortage

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Cover and bake in a hot oven (400 degrees) for 30 minutes or less until the apples are tender. Serve with cream, if desired.

By
Nursery
Expert

Triple Loss

I had a daughter who is healthy; then came three sons who died in infancy. Now I am expecting another child. Is it impossible for me to have a healthy boy?

IF I am from it if you are prepared to give yourself and the child a fair chance. I feel, however, that you lead far too strenuous a life for an expectant mother.

When you were not so deeply engaged in social work you had this baby daughter who did well, but you cannot expect to be constantly on the go during the waiting months and again a fortnight after the child's birth without sacrifice.

Frankly, I feel that you are setting your work before your family. If you want to have no further disappointments as regards your children I advise you to hand over to someone else now and to devote yourself to leading a quiet life for the next couple of years. Your child needs your care whether boy or girl.



Costs looking like dresses identify the autumn fashions. Here is a rough navy woolen coat that suggests the "shirtwaist and skirt" idea in the all-tucked top with collarless neckline finished with a huge silver brooch.

Ham cooked in the American fashion is excellent; eaten hot; but if you buy a bigger piece of ham and cook it in this way, it can be served cold with salad next day. To repeat the fine pineapple flavour, add a ring or two of the lined fruit (drained, of course) to the ordinary salad of lettuce, tomato, and cucumber, and you will have served two interesting meals with very little labour in a hot kitchen.

Anne Blythe

Baked Ham And Pineapple

A PIECE of ham, cooked in American fashion, becomes a luxury dish with very little trouble and the minimum of expense.

The American housewife picks a piece of fairly lean ham. This she puts in a fireproof dish, and pours over it the juice from a small tin of pineapple rings. On top of the most she sprinkles two tablespoonsful of soft brown sugar and then sticks in about eight or ten cloves.

Into a slow oven goes the dish, uncovered, and occasionally it comes out for basting with the pineapple juice. Altogether it is cooked for two hours, with the oven always between slow and moderate. Then, about twenty minutes before serving, the slices of pineapple are laid on top and heated through.

While the oven is on at slow, she cooks a pudding with the same heat, and probably a scalloped vegetable, which is simply a vegetable cut up and put in layers in a fireproof dish, with layers of breadcrumbs and spots of butter between. Already-cooked potatoes are sautéed in a shallow dish, and, when a little more time, they cook just as well and attractively as in the frying pan.

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Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

TRAVELLING PUZZLE

ACROSS

1—Years of life (10)

2—Former name of Afghanistan (10)

3—Land that has been called (10)

4—Contest for restoration (10)

5—Vegetable substance used as aid in soldering (10)

6—With strong appetite (10)

7—Mark left by injury (10)

8—Trace of decay (10)

9—Kind of flower (10)

10—Go by again (10)

11—Finnish gods (10)

12—Valley (10)

13—Form of barium sulphate (10)

14—Post office (Anglo-Indian) (10)

15—Price (10)

16—Wild ox of Celebes (10)

17—French river (10)

18—Shed of certain trees (10)

19—Crowd (10)

20—Crowd (10)

21—Waiting stick (10)

22—Taken article (10)

23—For fear that (10)

24—South American Indian (10)

25—Country in California (10)

26—Without (10)

27—Finnish gods (10)

28—Chevy and (10)

29—Hired is continuing succession (10)

DOWN

1—Amazette king, slain by Daniel (10)

2—Run away to get married (10)

3—Let it stand (10)

4—Loading material (10)

5—Defeated one (10)

6—Skin of a deer (10)

7—City in Pennsylvania (10)

8—English woolen district (10)

9—Butcher joint in cloth (10)

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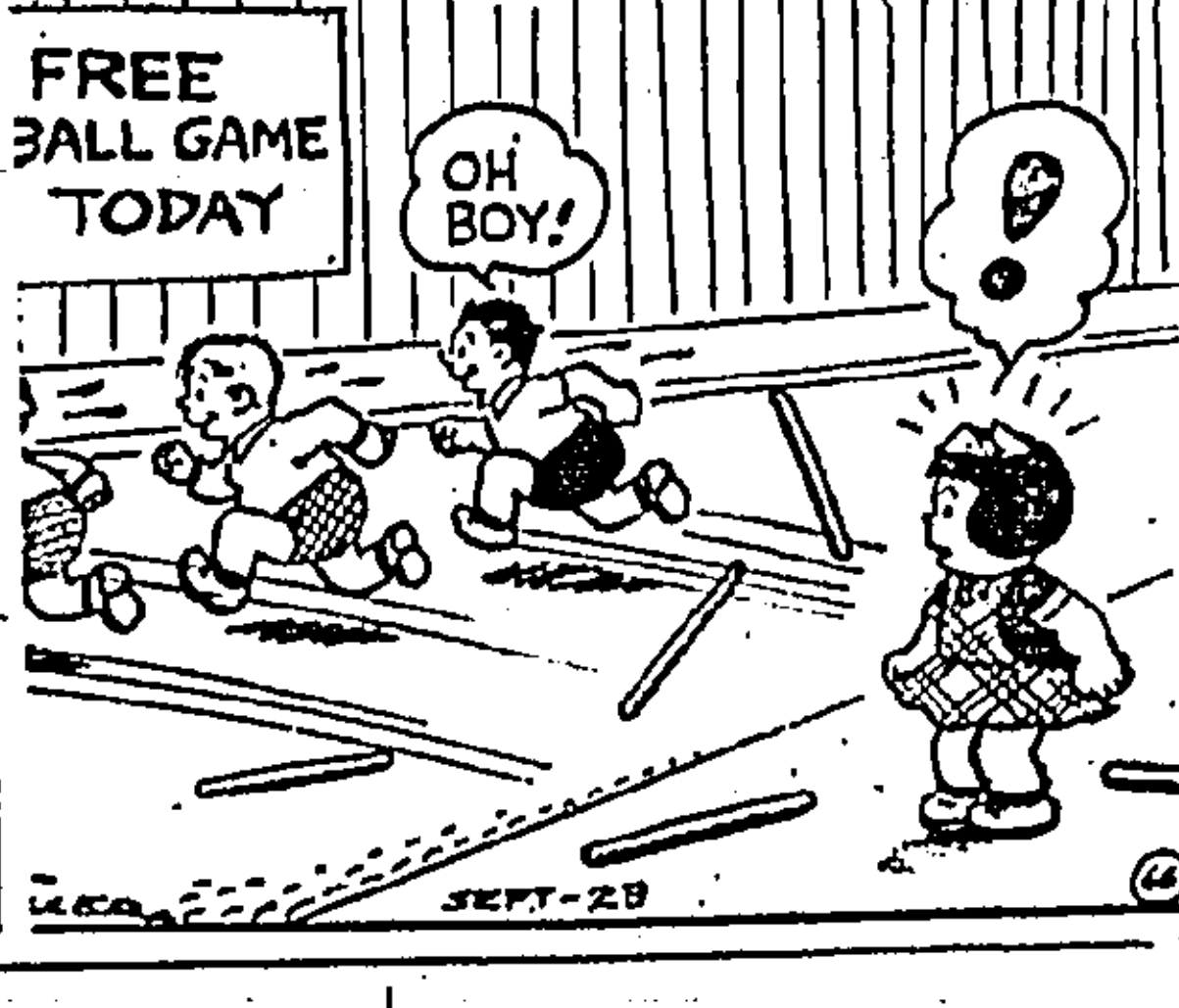
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NANCY



Stock Markets In Good Form

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Kaffirs again were the strongest feature to-day at the Stock Exchange, generally good markets.
After a hesitancy, gilt-edged securities were firmer on the announcement of the reduction of the bank rate from three to two per cent.
Base metal shares attracted buyers, while home industrials were quietly steady.
Silver advanced sharply on speculative buying following the importation.
Wall Street was firm.

New Governor Of Kenya

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Sir Henry Monck-Mason Moore, Assistant Under Secretary of State, Colonial Office, since 1937, has been appointed Governor and Commander-in-Chief in Kenya in succession to Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham.
Sir Henry was Colonial Secretary in Kenya from 1929 to 1934 and Governor of Sierra Leone from 1934 to 1937.



Douglas Fairbanks Jr. and Lionel Atwill represent the opposite extremes of government—ruthless regimentation vs. individualism—in their current Universal picture, "The Sun Never Sets," (the first American picture selected for the Blackpool Conference, London 1939). Fairbanks' eventual conquest of Atwill supplies much of the tension and excitement in this story of the British Colonial Civil Service.

CORRECTION

In the quotation yesterday of alleged demands on Sweden and Denmark, published in the London "News-Chronicle", it was inadvertently stated in the headlines that the countries affected were Norway and Denmark. The use of the name Norway was an error.

Racing Review

(By "Capt. Foster")

(Continued from Page 6.)

fred, who finished behind Chiltern. I am inclined to think that the mare is still a greenhorn. Going up the rock, I noticed that the jockey had to urge Winfred, and it was after a little coaxing that she got hold of the bit. The mare was not prominent when the field came round the bend, but Winfred was soon among the front rank after passing the distance post, and she went under by three-quarters of a length. It should be borne in mind that it was her third outing and the trip over a course from the two mile post, once round and in, was a fast one, the whole time being 1.55½ and the last mile was in 1.40½.

Ballarat Handicap

A GREAT Time piloted by Mr. Encarnacao failed once again to score a win in the Ballarat Handicap for "C" class Australian ponies, but I raise my hat to a Roaring Time and Mr. "Vic" Needa, securing the first position in the race.

We all know that A Roaring Time had performed a few decent gallops during the early mornings, but no-body would deny that this brown gelding had also a "kink." It was after a sequence of three unplaced outings that A Roaring Time came into his own, and with the assistance of Mr. Needa, who has a gift of patience with "stinkers" as they are called, the combination romped home first in the Ballarat Handicap.
Judging by the returns issued by the racing Club there was no doubt a great confidence placed in the cab, because it was ridden by a Shanghai jockey, who generally has a public following, or perhaps the punters were "in the know." The amazing part was that A Roaring Time was considered by the men of the turf to be a better animal than the stable companion A Great Time, and the former paid only \$20.10 for a win.

THRILLING FINISH

At any rate the most thrilling finish of the afternoon was seen in this event, when the issue was fought out by five ponies, in fact, a blanket could have covered them. There were 10 runners. The field moved off quickly when the tape shot upwards, and it was certainly a credit to the starter Mr. Potts. Pumpernickel was leading the pack at the Royal Navy Pavilion, and was followed by Strathcarrick, Baffin Bay, A Great Time and the rest in the rear. After passing the Hongkong Football Club stand, A Great Time took up the running, chased by Baffin Bay, and at this juncture Pumpernickel dropped to third position. I thought that was the end of the last named pony, but, over the hill, Pumpernickel rallied again after a fine breather, and Mr. Jessen's candidate was once again in the picture.
Coming down the hill Strathcarrick was not going too well and the mare was losing ground. There were at least six ponies well together coming round the corner and the first to catch my eyes was Baffin Bay, whose colour (nirle green hoops) could not be mistaken at a distance.

ANXIOUS MOMENTS

At the head of the home stretch A Pumpernickel, A Great Time and Amber II took up the challenge, and they gave the leader some anxious moments. Baffin Bay did not respond with his usual burst of speed when pressed by Mr. Black. Meanwhile, A Roaring Time came with a late run, which was one of Mr. Needa's usual spectacular finishes, but it was enough to give anyone a heart attack. Despite two lengths' handicap at the distance post or thereabout, A Roaring Time responded brilliantly to Mr. Needa's vigorous riding, and he ran past Pumpernickel and A Great Time to win by only half-a-length, the same separating the second and third ponies.

Baffin Bay and Amber II were very close up, and I now see from the Official Result that Baffin Bay was given fourth. Mr. Dunbar's candidate could not have lost the third position by more than a neck, and Amber II was not very far behind. It was certainly a grand finish and all the jockeys deserved a bouquet.

Connaught Handicap

Mr. G. Treverton, who piloted Mr. Lovely Star to victory in the Connaught Handicap (second section) for "C" class China ponies,

NAZI RAID DEBACLE

Seven Out Of 12 Planes Lost

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry state that at least seven out of 12 German aircraft failed to return to their base after attacking the British convoy in the North Sea on Saturday.

The German losses may yet prove even greater.
The Air Ministry, after the action of the Air Force, only claimed four were shot down. These were actually seen to crash.

Three Forced Down
British pilots believed that at least three more would never return home, but there was at first lack of conclusive evidence.
The evidence is now available, for members of three German crews have since been rescued, one by a trawler, another by a destroyer far out in the North Sea and the third by a Danish steamer.

Japan National Athletic Meet

Tokyo, Oct. 26.
Under the chairmanship of Prince Chichibu, younger brother of the Emperor, 34,000 athletes from all parts of the Empire, will take part in the 10th annual national sports fiesta, at the Meiji Shrine Stadium and 34 other places in the country on Sunday.
Sponsored by the Ministry of Public Welfare, the meets will last for six days. The Emperor will personally attend the meet in Tokyo on Thursday.—Domei.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS

ANAX: That's why we published the map.—Ed.
J.M.M.: Your letter should be addressed to "Reuters"—Ed.
SOLDIER: Let sleeping dogs lie.—Ed.

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was the only apprentice rider in a field of six runners, and it was the boy's first win of the season. This griffin had cost Kong Bros. a lot of money, and he was a "kept-over" Derby candidate since 1938.
A salient feature of the success was the master stroke in which the novice slipped through the hands of more experienced jockeys, and when they realised that Lovely Star had established a terrible lead, it was then too late to open up full speed ahead.
Lovely Star made the running at the release of the gate, and going up the Black Rock he had many lengths of lead. Down the hill the other runners began to wake up, but Lovely Star was never headed and he won eventually by two good clear lengths.

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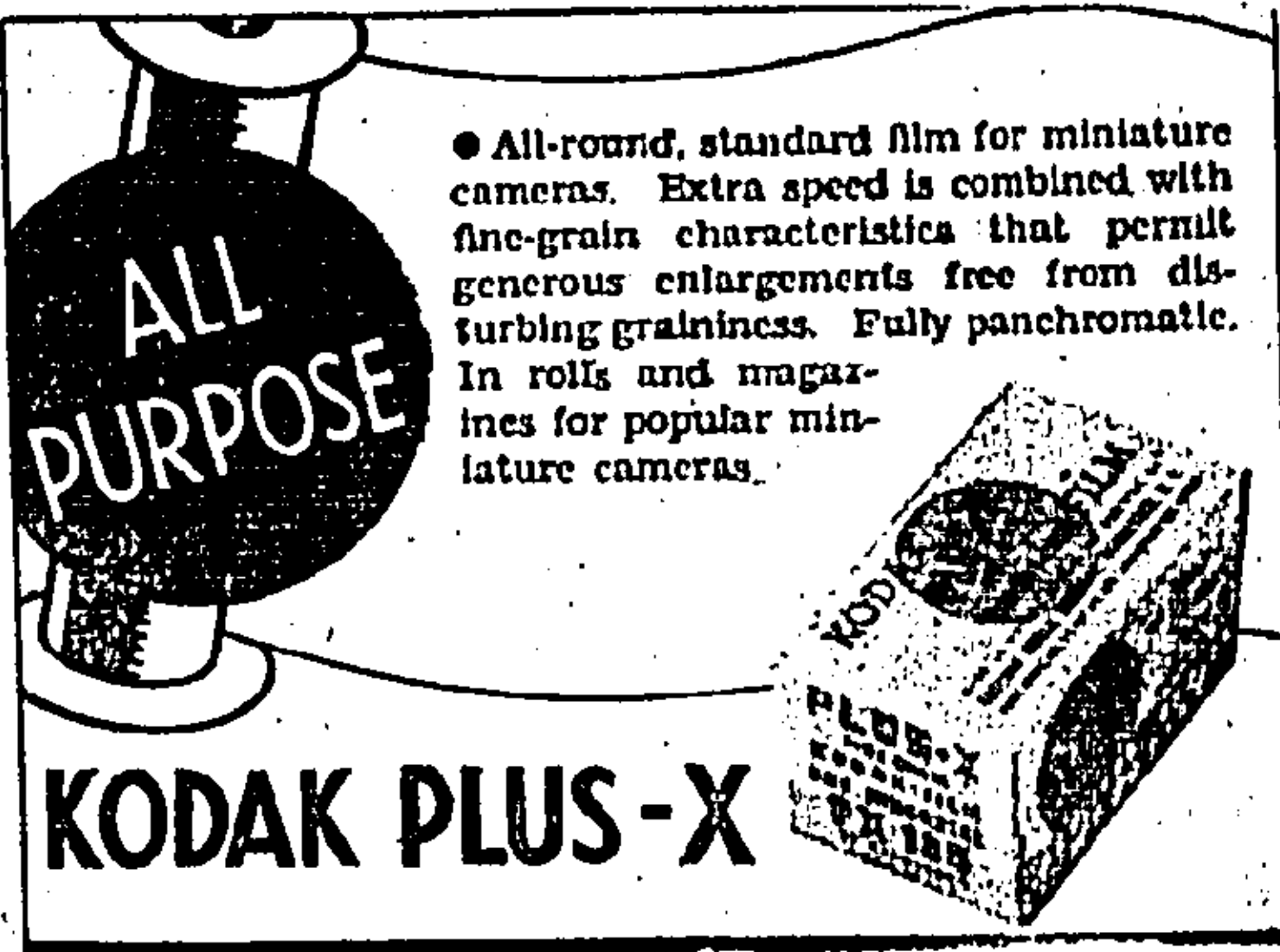
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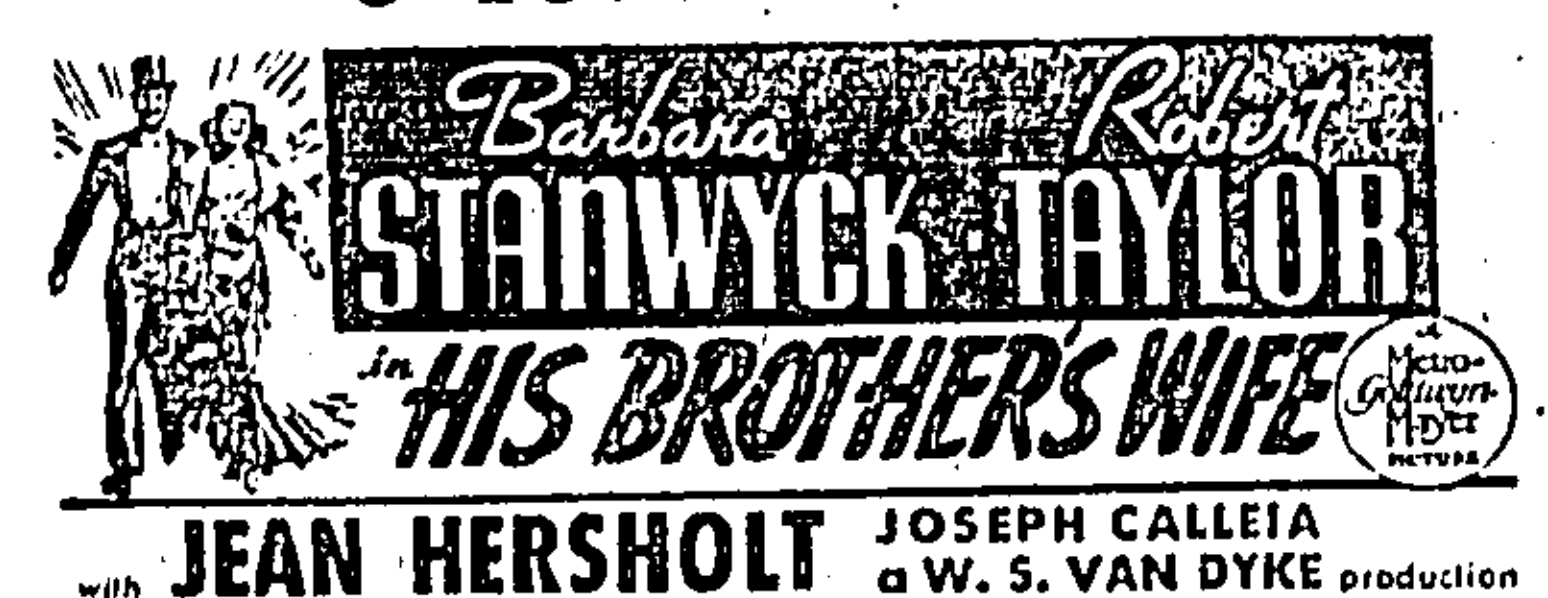
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Halifax's Excuses For Russia Vague Defence Of Poland Invasion

LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Lord Halifax, the British Foreign Secretary, today spoke of the visit of M. Sarajoglu, the Turkish Foreign Minister, to Moscow.

Although the visit apparently produced no definite result, it was a matter of great satisfaction to the British Government that both Turkey and Russia had reaffirmed their traditional friendship.

Concerning the British pledge to Poland, he said that it would not be the policy of Britain or any other country to recoil from its pledges.

The Fault, Dear Brutus
It made no difference to the Poles whether they were invaded from the east or from the west. The last thing he would do would be to justify the action of Soviet Russia, and in particular, the time in which she took it, but it was necessary to remember two things:

1.—She would never have taken the action she did if the German Government had not started it; and
2.—It was worth while to remember that the action of Soviet Russia had been to advance the Russian boundary to that recommended at Versailles by Lord Curzon.

PROTECTING TIN INDUSTRY

Mr. Leslie Burgin
Makes Statement

LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Removal of the maximum price of British tin could only be considered when market conditions became more normal, declared Mr. Leslie Burgin, Minister of Supplies, in the House of Commons today.

Mr. Burgin made this statement when answering a question which drew attention to the danger to the tin-smelting industry due to the order fixing prices substantially below the American prices.

Mr. Burgin pointed out that the American spot price had already fallen a long way from the highest level and he hoped that the increased supplies now coming forward would soon permit more normal relationship between domestic and world prices.

Meanwhile, the Government attaches importance to the domestic tin-smelting industry and was watching the position closely.

NO NOBEL PRIZE THIS YEAR

OSLO, Oct. 26 (UP).—The Social Democratic monthly magazine "Tiden" says that it is possible that the Nobel Peace Prize will not be awarded this year, unless "an outstanding candidate" appears at the last moment.

Circles close to the Nobel Committee say that the Committee, in principle, does not favour a peace award, owing to the present conflict.

TANGANYIKA'S REQUEST

LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—The British Association of Tanganyika cabled the Colonial Office today urging abolition of the Tanganyika Mandate.

Members who volunteer for war service want to be assured that they will be fighting for their own country and not merely for a country under mandate.

NAZIPHOBES IN BELGIUM

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Attacks upon Belgian authorities for allowing newspapers to print allegedly anti-German articles are published in the Press.

The "Nachtigall" for instance asks whether a state can still be regarded as neutral if its leading newspapers print propaganda of one belligerent against another.

Another Explanation

New York, Oct. 26.
A fifth version of the sinking of the Athenia is given by the New York Daily News. According to officials of two German salvage companies and a German diplomatic official, the liner was sunk because she was carrying £12,000,000 worth of gold bullion.

It is reported that German salvage companies marked the spot where the Athenia sank as "the world's richest wreck." It was stated before that the liner sank in water so deep that divers could not get to her.—Reuter Bulletin

PRESSMEN RETURN Visit to Changsha Front Proves Success

Chungking, Oct. 26.
The party of foreign correspondents who were visiting the North Hunan front, returned here yesterday by plane laden with "war trophies."

The party did not actually get to the front line positions because several of them decided to return to Chungking after having reached the Miao River.

Questioned regarding the authenticity of the Chinese victory at Changsha, one of the correspondents smiled and said, "There certainly are no Japanese there."—Reuter.

LATE NEWS

STILL FRIENDLY

Japanese Envoy
Reassures
German Government

Tokyo, Oct. 26.
On the eve of his departure for home, Lieut.-General Hiroshi Oshima, the retiring Japanese Ambassador to Germany, called on Herr Hitler at the German Chancellery on Tuesday afternoon.

A Berlin dispatch to the Asahi Shimbun claims that Ambassador Oshima assured the German Fuehrer that friendly relations still existed between Japan and Germany and that Japanese would entertain no ill feelings against the Reich—in consequence of the German-Soviet agreements and the European war.

The Berlin message further understands that Ambassador Oshima thanked the German Fuehrer for his support for Japan's programme for the construction of a new order in East Asia.

Ambassador Oshima was ordered home by the Foreign Office on October 6. It is believed that Mr. Shibusawa Kurasu, at present Japanese Ambassador at Brussels, will replace General Oshima at Berlin.—Domei.

REDS IN INDO-CHINA More Than a Hundred Arrested

Following the banning of the Communist party in France, measures against Communists have been taken in French Indo-China.

The Governor-General, states L'Opinion (Saigon), issued a proclamation prohibiting any form of activity intended, either directly or indirectly, to assist the Third Communist International, or organisations controlled by it.

All literature concerning the Third International is banned, and penalties up to five years' imprisonment and heavy fines may be imposed for breaches of the regulations.

L'Opinion states that suspected Communists in Indo-China are being arrested and in the central prison there are at present more than 100 Annamite Communists. Two women are among the suspects.

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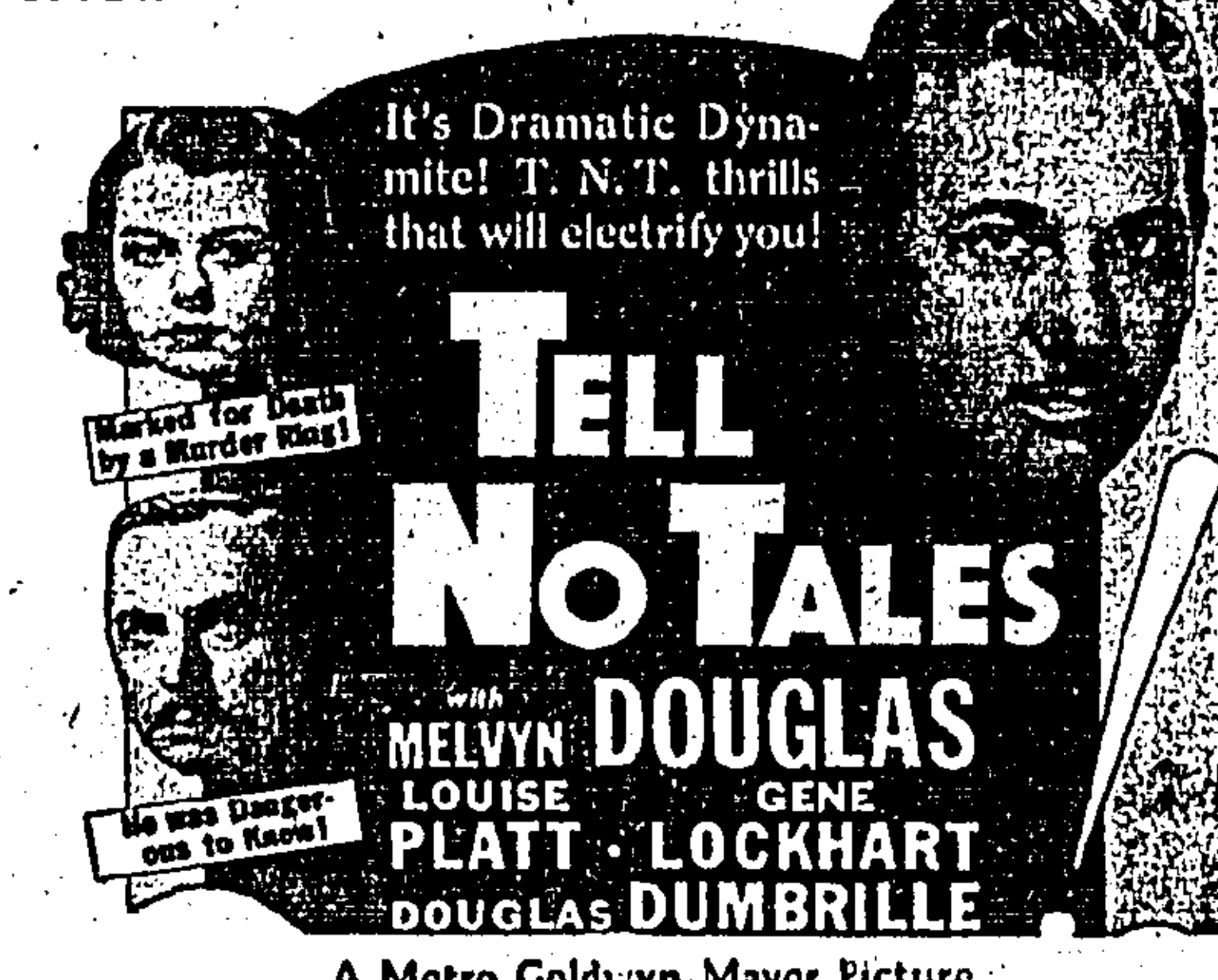
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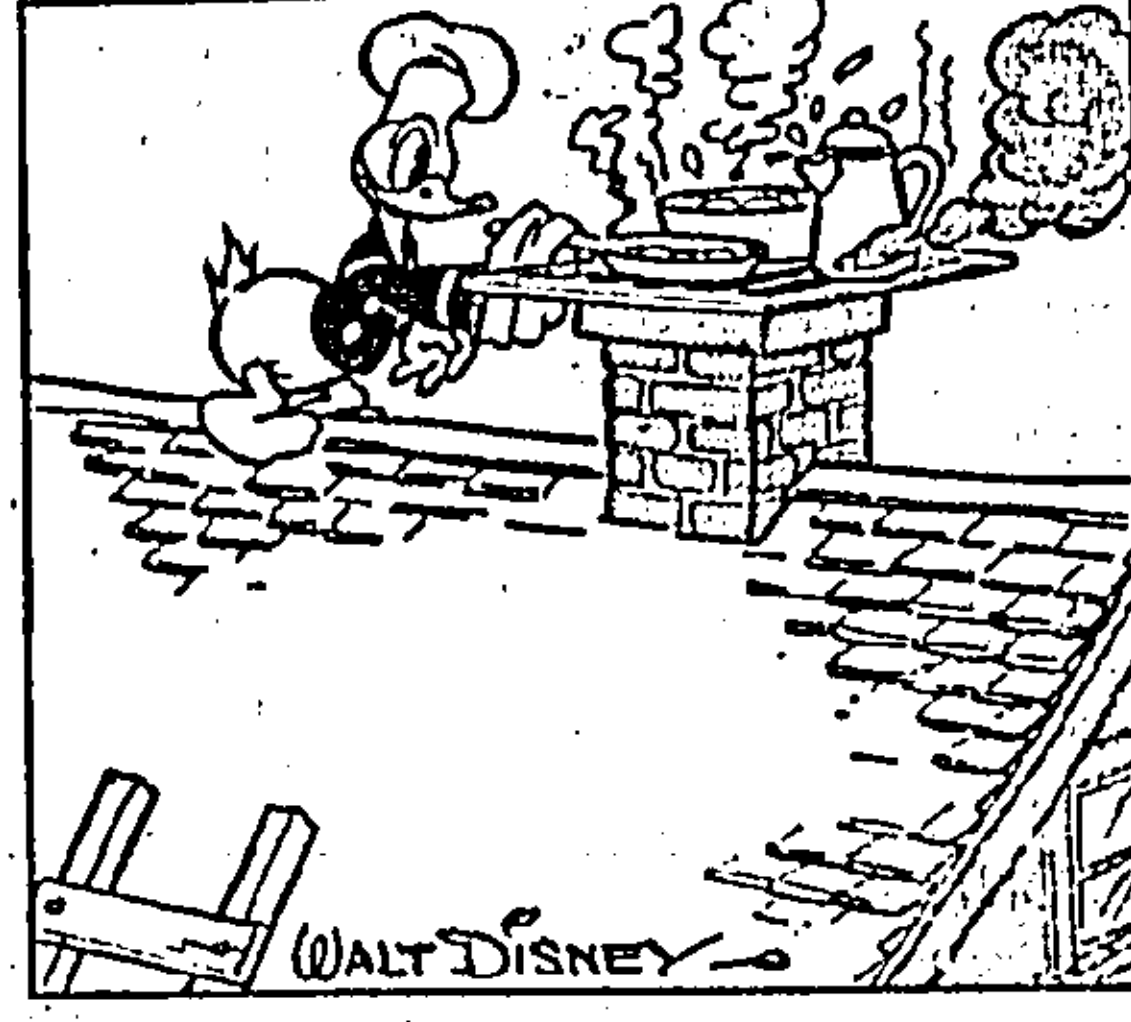
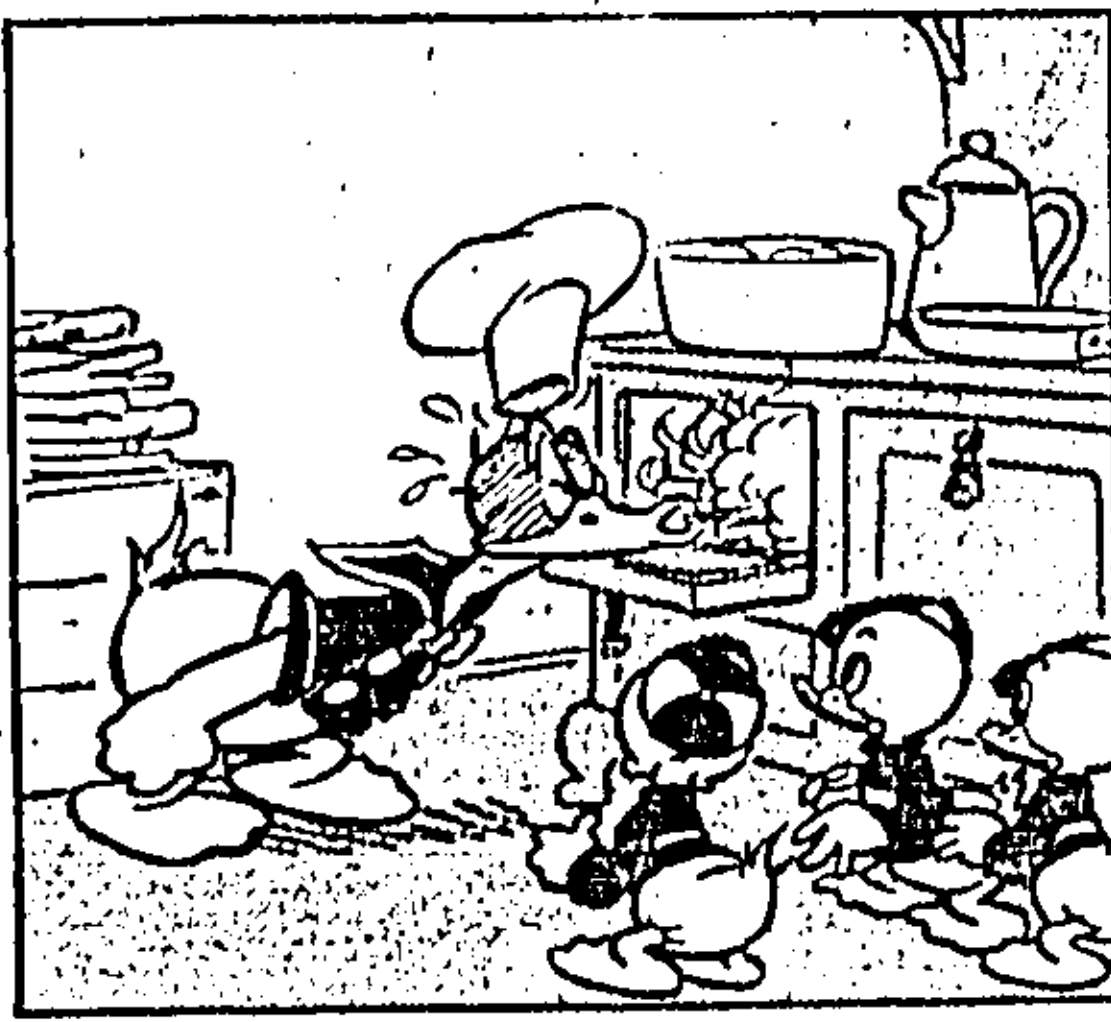
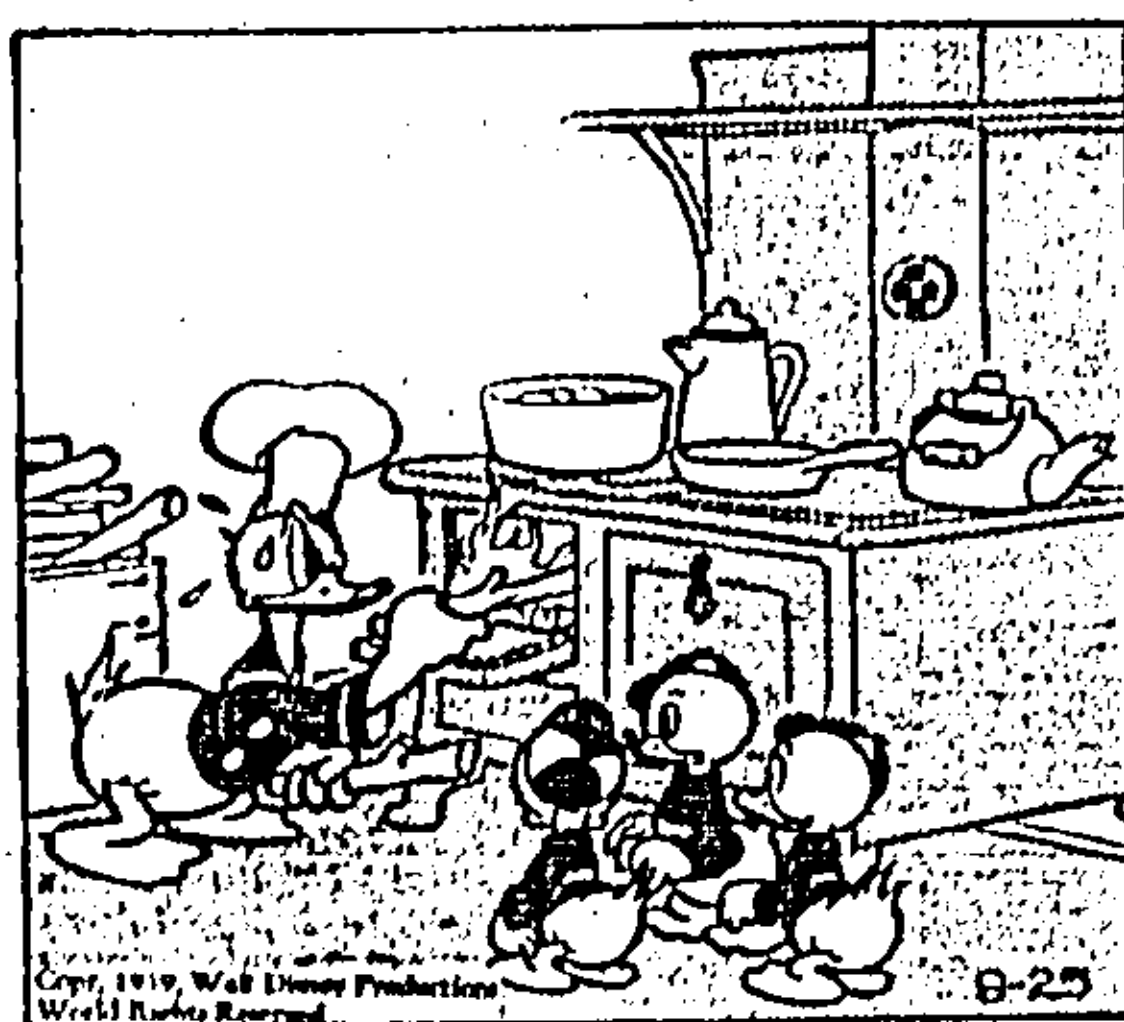
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Liberal Leader Seeks Friendship Of Soviet

LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Major C. R. Attlee, leader of the Opposition, said he was glad to hear that they were grappling with the submarine menace.

It would be a mistake to crow too soon, but at the present stage they were entitled to say that they were holding the menace in check.

Referring to the speech made by Herr von Ribbentrop, Major Attlee said it struck him as a fairly complete exposure of Herr von Ribbentrop himself, and was not worth following up.

If the speech was to end peace negotiations, they would have to face it, but they could not be deterred from doing their duty by any threats.

"We stand, as we always stood, for peace, but it must be a real peace based on principle," said Major Attlee.

"Whether there is peace or not rests with the German people. I hope that in due course they will tell Herr von Ribbentrop and the rest that they want peace."

Woo Russia, Is Urged

Sir Archibald Sinclair, the Liberal Leader, stated that the Liberals supported the Prime Minister's attitude regarding the speech made by Herr von Ribbentrop, and urged that they should not allow their relations with Russia to stagnate in the present unsatisfactory, and even dangerous, position.

Particularly in the commercial field progress ought to be made. If Russia is compelled to work out her own destiny in collaboration

Soviet Paper And Neutrality Bill

MOSCOW, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—The first Russian newspaper comment on the United States Senate debate on the Neutrality Bill is made by the army newspaper "Red Star".

The Journal attacks the proposed changes which, it claims, are due to reactionary circles which want to turn the war in Western Europe into a world war.

European's Loss

Mr. G. Brommer, of the French Convention has reported to the police the loss of a camphor-wood box containing clothing valued at \$201, which was stolen from No. 10 Luna Buildings, Kowloon, on or during transit to the French Convention between October 25-26.

with the Germans, doubtless she would be able to do so.

But the British Government ought, by vigorous initiative, first in the commercial field, and secondly, in the diplomatic field, to convince the Soviet Government that the interests of Russia and the general interest of mankind in order, peace and reconstruction in Europe would best be served by the earliest possible achievement of understanding and collaboration between the governments of Russia and those of Great Britain and France.

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A Look Through The "Telegraph"

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A Royal Charter has been granted to the British South African Company to exploit the region between Bechuanaland, the Transvaal, and Portuguese territory. The Crown reserves the right to take over and administer the territory after twenty-five years.

25 YEARS AGO
Oct. 27, 1914.
In the matter of naval defences the Baltic coast-line is not in the most favourable condition. Having spent many millions on the coast-line, the Government has decided to build a new line of defence along the southern coast of the Gulf of Finland, or perhaps, that they would try to proceed by both roads simultaneously and so converge on the capital.

It is generally assumed in Russia, at least by the Baltic-Russians, that the Germans, if they attempted to march on Petrograd, would endeavour to take either the main road from the East Prussian frontier, i.e. from Königsberg, Osterburg, Wittenberg, and Ples, or the main road from Revel via Narva to Petrograd, a much shorter distance, running along the southern coast of the Gulf of Finland; or perhaps, that they would try to proceed by both roads simultaneously and so converge on the capital.

Whatever value such surmises may have it is clear that the Russian naval authorities seem to come to the conclusion that Revel, which lies at the entrance to the Gulf of Finland, and not Libau, was the more suitable harbour for fortifications. But they act about constructing this naval harbour only a very short time ago. The position immediately before the war, therefore, was that Libau had long ceased to be a naval harbour, and that Revel had not yet become one. As a naval harbour was quite out of the question, lying in the south-eastern corner of the Gulf of Riga, far from the open sea, it was a fine example of a harbour for commercial but unfavourable for naval purposes. In time, therefore, Revel will be the strongest naval base on the Baltic. (Particularly in view of recent developments.—Ed.)

There has never been a ship of the British Navy offered as is the Iron Duke, the flagship of Admiral Sir John Jellicoe, the Commander-in-Chief of the Home Fleet, or Grand Fleet.

10 YEARS AGO
Oct. 27, 1929.
The "Observer" to-day publishes an interesting interview which one of its correspondents has had with Sir Robert Ho Tung on the question of the future of China.

"China," said Sir Robert, "has gone through a violent convulsion, a revolution and a period of anarchy, progress with the resultant reaction on the political, social and economic fabric of the country.

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1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 Sam Browne (Vocal) and the London Piano-Accordion Band.
1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Elsie and Doris Waters, Dick Powell and the His Brothers.
2.15 Close Down.
6.00 Variety and Dance Music.
6.55 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.57 Don Cossack Russian Choir.
7.10 Rimsky-Korsakov—Russian Easter Festival—Overture, Philadelpia Symphony Orchestra conducted by Leopold Stokowski.

7.27 B.B.C. Recording—"Breaking Athletic Records" A talk by Harold Abrahams.
7.42 Light Orchestral Selections.
8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Next Week's Programmes.
8.07 Smetana—Moldau (from "My Country").

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8.50 Vaughan Williams—Serenade to Music, Sir Henry Wood conducting the B.B.C. Orchestra; Soloists: I. Baillie, S. Allen, E. Suddaby, E. Turner, M. Enfour, A. Desmond, M. Drunsell, M. Jarred, H. Nash, W. Wickop, P. Jones, F. Titterton, R. Henderson, R. Easton, H. Williams and N. Allen.
9.05 Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

9.15 London Relay—The News.
9.30 Coleridge-Taylor—"Hiawatha" (The Death of Minnehaha). Sung by the Royal Choral Society conducted by Dr. Malcolm Sargent.
10.05 Orchestre Raymonde.
10.15 Dance Programme.
11.00 Close Down.

and I believe that order and tranquility will soon become a reality throughout the country and the people united in one great effort for economic and industrial regeneration."

5 YEARS AGO
Oct. 27, 1934.
High officials of the administration regard the apparent attempt on the part of Japanese, or Manchukuoan interests, to secure an oil monopoly in what was once Manchuria, as of exactly the type of trade exclusion Japan would foster in the Far East if she were permitted hegemony.
It is notified in the Gazette that His Excellency the Governor under instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, has appointed Mr. N. L. Smith to be Secretary for Chinese Affairs, in the place of Mr. A. E. Wood, retired.

Prince Comes of Age



FATHER AND SON IN UNIFORM.—Crown Prince Michael of Rumania, photographed with his father, King Carol. Prince Michael came of age this week.

German Forces Concentrating

From North Sea To Swiss Border

PARIS, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Big concentrations of German troops and planes, and incessant movements of material are taking place along the German North Sea coast from Emden to the mouth of the Ems, and past Bremen as far as the mouth of the Elbe.

These movements are also noticeable near the Swiss border, according to the "Amsterdam Telegram."

New Governor Of Kenya

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Sir Henry Moneck-Mason Moore, Assistant Under Secretary of State, Colonial Office, since 1937, has been appointed Governor and Commander-in-Chief in Kenya in succession to Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham.

Sir Henry was Colonial Secretary in Kenya from 1929 to 1934 and Governor of Sierra Leone from 1934 to 1937.

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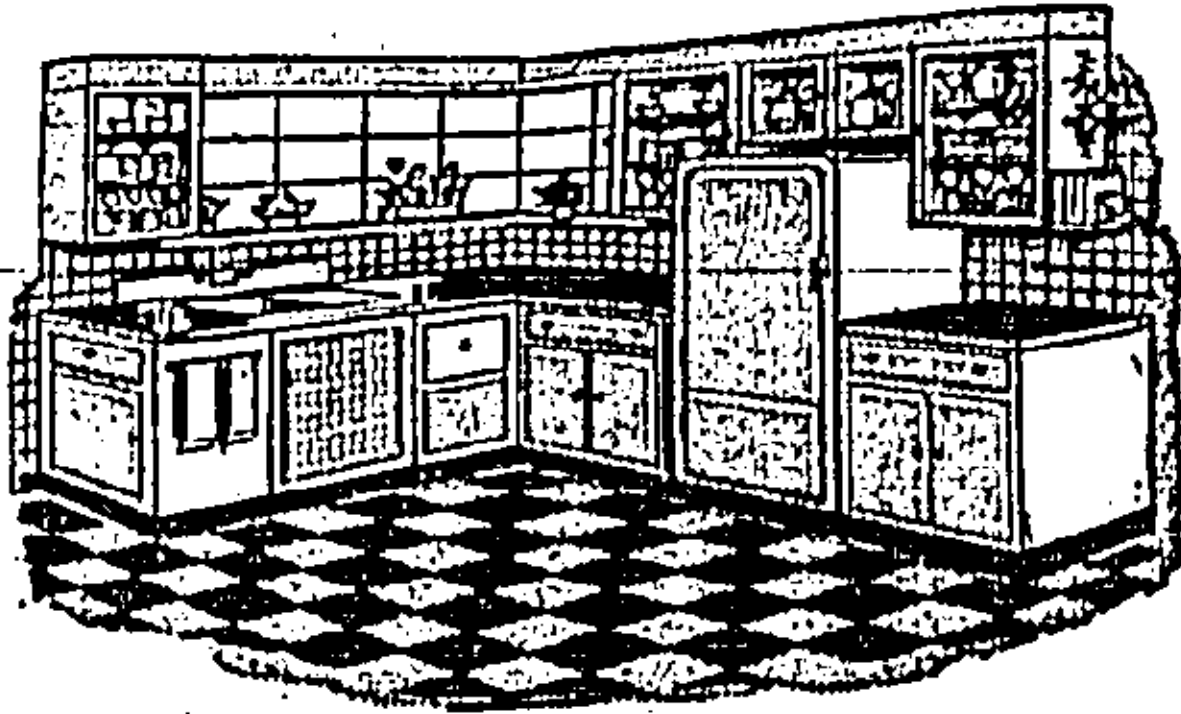
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The Empire

It has now been made clear to Germany that the whole strength of the British Empire is deployed against her in the war on freedom. All the members of the British Commonwealth of Nations are agreed, as they were in 1914, to fight out, till victory is won, the battle against aggression.

The resources of a fifth of the world, on Field-Marshal Goering's estimate, are now devoted irrevocably to the overthrow of Nazism. That should cause sad searching of heart in German councils.

If reason still exercises any sway there, it must find even more depressing the fact that the resolve of the Nations of the Empire was made in perfect freedom, and only in South Africa was there enough difference of opinion to require a vote. The leaders of Germany believed, or at least they told their people, that the British Empire would break into fragments under the menace of war.

Their predecessors made the same prophecy in 1914. But Germans have since been instructed that the evolution of the Empire into self-governing States has destroyed any chance of united action, the virus of democracy has corrupted its strength.

Now the German people must awake to discover that freedom has fortified the unity of the Commonwealth. They have proof enforced upon them that powerful, prosperous States in complete liberty to choose their own course are determined to join more closely together that they may achieve, in Gen. Smuts's words, "the destruction of Hitlerism and all that it implies."

The choice pronounces the judgment of civilised mankind on Herr Hitler's rule.

How the nations of the Empire can most usefully bring their power to bear is not a question to be answered hastily.

They are all much stronger than they were in 1914, stronger by military experience and by development of their natural resources and population.

The military strength of India has greatly increased from the lessons learnt in the last war, from the modernisation of her army and from the results of Lord Chatfield's report.

But it is not only by the dispatch of expeditionary forces that the Dominions can serve the common cause. To maintain industries which will give a constant flow of munitions and an agricultural efficiency which will assure food supplies for the fighting front and the home base is of the first importance.

That twofold task we are now well assured will be accomplished.

REORIENTATION

Who's Who in Japan's Cabinet

NEW men take over in Japan. Out of office goes Baron Hiranuma, extreme right-winger, waver of war on China, the man who pinned everything on Hitler's help.

"I am so filled with trepidation that I cannot stay in office any longer," he said, when he heard that Hitler had signed a pact with Russia. Into his shoes steps General Nobuyuki Abe. (The Japanese pronounce him "Arbay," but no Englishman could resist calling him Abe.)

Abe's Cabinet has now been formed. There is not one single man to be found in it who was in the outgoing Cabinet.

This is no mere formal change of government. These new men mean new policies—a reorientation of Japanese diplomacy. They are Japan's idea of a "National" Government.

They are men of all sorts—generals, admirals, civil servants, judges, business men. There are even two regular, whole-time politicians.

All of them are supposed to be "liberal" and moderate. Who and what are they? Here is something about each:

General Nobuyuki Abe, Prime Minister. He is 64 years old and has a wide, smiling face. He wears rimless spectacles, and across his upper lip runs a short-cropped, half-inch-wide moustache.

Three years ago he retired from the Army and has since been living quietly in Tokyo.

Among Japanese soldiers he is remarkable for the fact that he has never been on active service. He has had the good fortune, or the good sense, to spend most of his time at headquarters.

In this way he rose to be Supreme War Councillor during the two last years of his military career.

During the last year or two he has begun to be forgotten by the Japanese public and he has never had any assured political following. All the same he has a good deal of popularity, from General

Ugaki, one-time Foreign Secretary, a man of great standing, who took Abe under his wing.

Ugaki is reputed to be a moderate, so everybody takes it that Abe is moderate, too, and they let him back in Ugaki's reflected popularity.

The Mikado has chosen Abe because he is supposed to stand above the fiercest factions. He was never one of the men who put their trust in Hitler. Nor is he one of the men who think that after the events of the past week Japan should at once attempt to redress her balance with a British alliance.

Abe would like to be anti-German and anti-British at the same time. He is expected to carry the war against China in complete isolation from the rest of the world.

How easy it will be, time will show him.

General Shunroku Hata, War Minister. His appointment has surprised, shocked the Army. The Army usually nominates the War Minister and it did not nominate Hata.

Hata has always been right outside politics. It is not much good speculating whether he is Left or Right. Nobody knows what he is. Presumably Abe thinks him moderate.

But if Hata is unknown as a politician, he is very much known as a soldier. Throughout 1938 he was Japanese Commander-in-Chief in China.

The papers have boasted him as a popular hero and his name is particularly linked with the landing of troops at Hanchow and the driving of the Chinese from Shanghai.

As Commander-in-Chief he repeatedly said he meant no harm to Britain and America and he liked to maintain personal and cordial relations with British Generals and diplomats.

It was only after he was recalled to Japan last January and made chief Aide-de-Camp to the Mikado that the anti-British campaign broke out in full fury.

Kazuo Aoki, Minister of Finance. The brains of the new Government. Also the youngest member of the Government, being only 41. He has been a leading official in the Ministry of Finance for years. He has also built himself a reputation as an economist and has been a lecturer at four Japanese universities.

After the Great War he came to Europe for the Peace Conference and helped to squeeze Germany till the pips squeaked by sitting on the Reparations Commission. So he takes his share in the responsibility for Versailles.

Although a Civil servant, he has for many years controlled the Finance Ministry. Now he is boss in name as well as in fact.

He has always been very active in politics and he is regarded as having very "advanced" views. He will try to make the army spend less money and his arm will be strengthened because he is going to be President of the reformed Planning Board which coordinates all Government departments.

Naoshi Ohara, Minister of Home Affairs and Welfare. He started life as a civil servant. He is the Department of Justice. He has risen to be a leading judge, President of the Tokyo Court of Appeal.

Twice before he has been in Cabinets, but each time as Minister of Justice. A non-specialist ministry is a new line of country for him.

Ohara is nearly as common a name in Japan as it is in Ireland.

Chogoro Miyagi, Minister of Justice. Another lawyer, and he gets a lawyer's job.

He has spent all his life in the Ministry of Justice, first as an official, recently as a judge of the Appeal Court. He has a cold, logical, legal brain, after the same pattern as Sir John Simon's.

Kakichi Kawarada, Minister of Education. Rather a mysterious figure. As Minister of Home Affairs in 1937 he tried to experiment with the election system and to establish a new line of country for him.

There is topical interest even in "Flaubert and Madame Bovary" for it takes us into the world of the romantics of a century ago whose theories about life were akin in their poisonousness to some of the most destructive theories of our own time.

There was the same hatred of the bourgeoisie—usually a sign that wisdom is on the downgrade.

Mr. Steegmuller has written a fine biographical study of Flaubert, that extraordinary and heroic artist who is the romantic imagination, who is remembered chiefly as the writer of a mediocre novel and who was himself in large part the Madame Bovary he so cruelly portrayed.



fish the Japanese Parliament on the Italian Fascist model.

He is yet another Civil servant and has spent most of his life in the Home Ministry. His specialty is Labour problems, and he knows Europe through his periodic visits to the International Labour Office.

As a side-line, he is managing director of a company.

Vice-Admiral Takuo Godoh, Minister of Commerce, Agriculture and Forestry, is Japan's No. 1 business man. He is extremely well-known, very active and go-ahead. The sea is only his second love.

He speaks fluent German, knows Germany's economic system well and has co-operated with the lords of German heavy industry in developing railways in Manchukuo. Abe hopes to use him as a poacher-turned-game keeper.

Most of his power and wealth comes from iron, steel, armaments and railways. He is President of the Tokyo Chamber of Commerce and is now 62 years old.

Ryutaro Nagai, Minister of Communications and Railways. A real politician. He is very popular in the country.

He is one of the brightest lights in the Minshito—the Japanese "Liberal Party," one of the country's two historic political parties.

He has often been a Cabinet Minister before and was the favourite of Count Okuma, one of the great pioneers of the Japanese Liberal Party. His nickname is "Okuma No. 2."

Tsuneko Kanemitsu, Minister of Overseas Affairs, is a member of the other historic party—the Seiyukai, or Conservatives. He ought to be able to guarantee Conservative support for the new Government.

Kanemitsu has a finger in many pies. He has been a civil servant and he is director of about a dozen companies—mostly insurance companies. Not long ago he was deputy-speaker of the House of Representatives.

Vice-Admiral Zengo Yoshida, veteran of the Great War, Commander-in-Chief of the Combined Fleet, brings all his naval prestige to the post of Navy Minister.

Ryusaku Endo, ex-civil servant, member of the House of Peers, with long experience of administering Japan's colonies on the Chinese mainland, including Manchuria, becomes Chief Secretary to the Cabinet.

Will Shebbeare

Mexico Offers Oil To The Allies

MEXICO CITY. High Government officials indicated recently that the Allies would experience no difficulty if they wished to obtain supplies of petroleum from Mexico.

President Cardenas, it was stated, intends to sell oil and other products to European belligerents who "deserve Mexico's sympathy," and those belligerents, it was made clear, were Britain, France and Poland.

Mr. W. R. Davis, the American who arranged the \$5,000,000 oil barter deal between Mexico and Germany, has left Mexico, and it is reported that the agreement has been cancelled.

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City Firm Summoned For Radio Offence

Jebson and Company of Pedder Building, Pedder Street, featured as defendants in two summonses concerning an apparatus for radio communication in Mr. R. Edwards' Court at Central Magistracy to-day. The Company was not represented.

Defendants were summoned for having, on April 6, sold to E. Muller, an apparatus for radio communication, a "Blue-spot radio receiver," without a licence granted under the Telecommunication Ordinance of 1936, and with possession of the apparatus without a licence granted under the same Ordinance.

Mr. J. S. Logan, represented the Post Master General, and asked for an adjournment to be made to November 17 at 2.30 p.m. The adjournment was granted.

Japanese Prisoners In Model Camp Chinese Attempting To Form Anti-War Battalion

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

KWEILIN, Oct. 26 (UP).—Forty-eight former Japanese soldiers have found comparative peace and quiet, and a considerable amount of contentment, in this hitherto, anti-Japanese stronghold, dominated by Kwangsi's famous military duo General Pai Chung-hai, Deputy Chief of Staff, and Marshal Li Tsung-yen.

Although Lai and Li still lead the vanguard of those Chinese leaders who oppose with every means at their command, anti-Japanese domination, this group of Japanese are their favourites for they represent visible spoils from the war-torn areas of Hunan, Kiangsi and Hupeh.

An "internment camp" rather than a "prisoner's camp" would be a better description of the barracks, for the Japanese enjoy comforts and freedom not usually accorded to captured enemy troops, and which far exceeds anything this correspondent has seen elsewhere in free China.

Happy Prisoners
Environment can easily be seen reflected in the attitude of the prisoners. Other prisoners who have been seen by this correspondent, were morose and sullen, and resent intrusion upon their privacy. These, however, welcomed the opportunity to talk to a foreigner—two of them spoke English. When the required pictures of their captives were taken, they were given a four-hour rest, and then taken to the ring in a wrestling exhibition, while two basketball teams quickly chose sides.

Two large court-yards are available at all times for individual exercises, while a large play-field is used by the group for games and tennis. During the exercise period, only Chinese guards covered the area which is surrounded by a high wall with open fields beyond, and these guards were more interested in watching the games than watching the other prisoners who rested on the grass.

Although strict discipline is imposed, the prisoners' time is too fully occupied to permit opportunity for rebellion. From 5.30 a.m. until 9.30 p.m., they study Chinese, the classics and also anti-war propaganda, much of which is lectured by Kaji Wataru, the leftist Japanese writer who is now assisting China.

Anti-War Battalion

According to the Waseda University-educated Chinese in charge of the camp, the Chinese are planning to convert the Japanese into an anti-war battalion to assist in the writing of anti-war propaganda for distribution among the Japanese soldiers by the guerrilla bands, and to train other Japanese prisoners likewise.

Although the prisoners are generally treated alike, officers receive courtesies according to international law and their food is somewhat better. The men who deserted their ranks, receive better treatment and greater freedom. All prisoners receive a small packet of cigarettes daily, with sweets on Sunday, and the winner in any athletic contest gets additional sweets.

Healthy Camp Life

The quarters in which the men live and study are somewhat cramped but are clean, airy and light—there are no bars to cut them off from the world. One group of prisoners seemed more healthy than the others and the Superintendent said that they had been in the camp since last January, while the others—including six who had been wounded—were only captured recently. He said that good food and life in the camp would soon bring the colour "back into their cheeks."

One Japanese girl—a waitress captured in Kwangtung by the Chinese guerrillas—seemed unhappy, despite the fact that 40 admirers could be seen at her feet. The Director of the Camp said that she lived apart from

SOME 200 Japanese troops beleaguered in Tatum, near Tsao-kang in South Hopei, were wiped out by the Chinese in a vigorous attack last week, states "Central News."

Japanese reinforcements rushing to Tatum to relieve the Chinese pressure were beaten back.

Later the invaders, still further reinforced, launched a counter-offensive on Tatum. They were also hurled back, leaving behind over 100 bodies and two trench mortars.

North Kiangsu Success

Another Chinese success is reported from North Kiangsu. Following a smashing attack, Chinese units wrested back Chechichien last Saturday. More than half of the Japanese garrison of 200 were slain, and the remnant fled after setting fire to the town.

In spite of heavy rain, several Chinese columns made a fresh assault on Wuning, 70 miles north-west of Nanchang yesterday morning. Regions to the west of Wuning have all been recovered.

From Loyang comes a report that four Japanese columns based at Puh-shien, Chinghsiangchen, Shungchihchen and Nanyao, in South Shensi, are continuing their westward drive with Shensi and Kihien as their main objectives. Fighting is raging on a 47-mile front with the Chinese firmly resisting the Japanese advances.

The unit from Puh-shien is reported to have captured Hsuehkwang, west of Puh-shien, and is turning southward. Threatening Rear

The column from Chinghsiangchen is striking straight at Shensi and is being engaged by the Chinese at Tanchengtsun. A Chinese unit is making a detour to threaten the enemy from the rear.

Practically all villages in the neighbourhood of Shungchihchen have been set on fire by the invaders. Meanwhile fighting is also raging at Tunchien, southeast of Wensai, where the Chinese, supported by artillery, are subjecting the Japanese to a severe pierce attack.

Japanese defences in the eastern part of the town are said to have crumbled under the heavy Chinese fire.

Chinese Claims Justified

A "Central News" message from Nanyao this morning states that, after a tour of the front, foreign correspondents are now convinced that the Chinese claims of recent victories were justified whereas the Japanese denials were false.

The group of foreign journalists included the Chungking correspondents of the "Havas News Agency," the "Associated Press," the "United Press," "New York Times," and the "Tass News Agency." They were conducted on their tour by Mr. Hollington K. Tong, Deputy Director of the General Publicity Council. They had interviews with General Pai Chung-hai, Vice-Chief of Staff, General Chen Cheng, Director of the Political Board of the National Military Council, and General Hsueh Yuh, Chairman of the Hunan Provincial Government. They also visited the battle-fields at Kinsing, Fulinpu, Chinghsiangshih and elsewhere in north Hunan.

From foreign missionaries and Chinese correspondents, these correspondents verified many reports of Japanese atrocities.

One of the greatest improvements noticed in the Chinese army by these correspondents was the greater care now being taken of wounded soldiers.

DID NOT REPORT CAR ACCIDENT

Woman Driver Fined

Mrs. E. J. Stevens, of Boundary Street, was fined \$10 by Mr. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning, when she was summoned for failing to report a collision between her car and another vehicle in Connaught Road Central on October 6.

Sub-Inspector F. J. Clarke said a car was going into a park when Mrs. Stevens collided with it causing slight damage. There was no suggestion, he added, that she was driving dangerously.

Mrs. Stevens said the driver of the other car told her not to worry about the damage, and she thought it was unnecessary to make a report.

J. Barnett, of the Public Works Department, was fined \$5 for leaving his car in Chater Road for more than two hours on October 6. A similar fine was imposed on W. A. Shea, of Shewan, Tomes and Company, for a like offence.

NOBEL PRIZE WINNERS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
STOCKHOLM, Oct. 26 (UP).—It is announced that Professor Gerhard Domagk of Wuppertal, Germany, is the winner of the Nobel Prize for Physiology and Medicine. He discovered Protinoll which is used for treating bacterial infections made from cullandamide.

Last year's prize, which previously had not been awarded, went to Dr. Chreneville of Belgium, for his detection of the importance of the sinus aorta mechanism in breathing.

PROTECTING TIN INDUSTRY

Mr. Leslie Burgin
Makes Statement

LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Removal of the maximum price of British tin could only be considered when market conditions became more normal, declared Mr. Leslie Burgin, Minister of Supplies, in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Burgin made this statement when answering a question which drew attention to the danger to the tin-smelting industry due to the order fixing prices substantially below the American prices.

Mr. Burgin pointed out that the American spot price had already fallen a long way from the highest level and he hoped that the increased supplies now coming forward would soon permit more normal relationship between domestic and world prices.

Meantime, the Government attaches importance to the domestic smelting industry and was watching the position closely.

NAZIPHOBES IN BELGIUM

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Attacks upon Belgian authorities for allowing newspapers to print allegedly anti-German articles are published in the Press.

The "Nachtausgabe" for instance asks whether a state can still be regarded as neutral if its leading newspapers print propaganda of one belligerent against another.

McNutt Wants U.S. To Stay in Philippines

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Oct. 26 (UP).—"If the United States decides to stay in the Far East, then it is proper and logical that we stay in the Philippines, where we have a perfect right to be by conquest, by purchase and I have every reason to believe, by invitation."

This declaration was made to-day by Mr. P. V. McNutt, former High Commissioner for the Philippines and contender for U.S. presidential honours.

Mr. McNutt was addressing the "Herald-Tribune" Forum. The United States, he declared, should maintain its sovereignty in the Philippines.

"If a crisis develops in the Far East, we must help to preserve the democratic basis of the Philippine Islands Government," Mr. McNutt criticised the isolationists in America.

"An attempt to build up a wall around the New World means an upheaval in the United States almost as great as war itself," he declared.

"We must put one question to ourselves very bluntly. Are we in or out of the Far East?"

A Warning
"If it is the considered judgment of the majority of the American people that we should be out, then let us get out, lock, stock and barrel."

"But we must realise that such a withdrawal will mean the abandonment of three principles—firstly, the Open Door in China, secondly, the integrity of the Chinese people and, thirdly, what is far more important, loss of the freedom of the seas and the air."

"The Philippines is one happy place in an unhappy Orient—one place where decency, democracy and peace reigns, where the orderly process of Democracy has a chance to develop."

"Our business is to stay there."

Third U.S. Warning
The speech made by Mr. Joseph Greer, the American Ambassador, on Thursday last, might be regarded as a third warning to Japan, Mr. Tamura suggests.

Continuing, the writer says that the United States may be well aware of the fact that the "New Order" which Japan has constructed in East Asia with an army of 1,000,000 and at a cost of Yen 20,000,000,000 is fundamentally different from that which existed before July, 1937.

It is difficult to think that the United States Government, which makes it a point to uphold the principles of Open Door and Equal Opportunity, should see it fit to ask Japan to nullify the efforts it has made during the last two and a half years and to restore the conditions which existed before the Incident.

Must State Final Demands
If the United States has any such thought, it will be necessary for Japanese people to make a new determination. What the Government should do at this juncture is to designate whether the Konoze Statement still holds good or whether the events during the past year necessitate additions thereto.

Then it should state concretely and in unmistakable language its final demands on China so that the world may come to realize its mistake in thinking that Japan has no end of designs on China.

NO NOBEL PRIZE THIS YEAR

OSLO, Oct. 26 (UP).—The Social Democratic monthly magazine "Tiden" says that it is possible that the Nobel Peace Prize will not be awarded this year, unless "an outstanding candidate appears at the last moment."

Circles close to the Nobel Committee say that the Committee, in principle, does not favour a peace award, owing to the present conflict.

TANGANYIKA'S REQUEST

LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—The British Association of Tanganyika enabled the Colonial Office to-day urging abolition of the Tanganyika Mandate.

Members who volunteer for war service want to be assured that they will be fighting for their own country and not merely for a country under mandate.

European Businessman Robbed In Ice House St.

Mr. W. S. Reid, service representative of the Wright Aeronautical Corporation, Paterson, N.J., who is living at Repulse Bay Hotel had his fountain pen picked from his pocket whilst he was in Ice House Street yesterday morning.

The thief, Chan So 24, was arrested, and on appearing before Mr. R. Edwards at Central Magistracy to-day, admitted the theft and was sentenced to four months' hard labour, and a further six months' imprisonment on an additional count of breach of the Deportation Ordinance.

Det-Sergeant Wilcox said Mr. Reid was walking with Mr. W. E. Kirby, joint secretary of the China Coast Officers' Guild and Marine Engineers' Guild of China, in Ice House Street yesterday, when Mr. Kirby saw two men jostle Mr. Reid. Mr. Kirby also saw the fountain pen being stolen.

Det-Sergeant Wilcox said defendant had been banished and had been a member of a gang of pickpockets operating in Yunnan.



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Hongkong Telegraph PHOTONEWS

HAPPENINGS AS SEEN BY THE CAMERA'S EYE



A "bell" shelter for the use of A.R.P. wardens, being erected in the Mall, London.



Sandbags being filled at Broughty Ferry beach for A.R.P. use at Dundee public buildings.

CITY OF FLINT

AMERICAN DEMAND TO SOVIET Want Release Of Seized Ship

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, Oct. 26 (UP).—Secretary of State Cordell Hull to-day disclosed that United States has sent a demand to Russia for the release of the City of Flint and her cargo to her American crew.

He indicated that similar strong representations are being made to Berlin.

Further he disclosed that the United States Ambassador to Moscow has been authorized to send United States officials to Murmansk to determine first hand exactly what transpired.

Ship Released Report
MOSCOW, Oct. 26 (UP).—A broadcast communique to-day said the City of Flint has been released and ordered to leave immediately.

However, it was not indicated whether the vessel would be released with a German prize crew or her own regular American crew.

Another report said the Soviet Government has ordered the City of Flint's release, supposedly with a German prize crew aboard, and that the ship has been ordered to sail immediately from Murmansk.

Repeated Demands
WASHINGTON, Oct. 26 (Reuters).—The United States has made several demands to the Soviet Government to release the City of Flint with her crew and cargo, according to an announcement made by Mr. Cordell Hull to-day.

No reply has yet been received although the United States Ambassador has had two interviews with the Vice-Commissioner of Foreign Affairs.

Germany's Intention
BERLIN, Oct. 26 (Reuters).—Germany intends to institute prize-court proceedings against the City of Flint, it is indicated in an official statement which claims that the vessel was tightly and legally detained.

Legal Seizure
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, Oct. 26 (UP).—It is officially announced that the American freighter "City of Flint" was legally captured carrying contraband subject to seizure.

Not Yet Released
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
MOSCOW, Oct. 26 (UP).—American and Soviet sources categorically state that the steamer City of Flint already sailed under the American flag.

There is nothing known beyond communique which said, "It has been decided to release the ship and the sails immediately."

Little Information
ASHINGTON, Oct. 27 (Reuters).—A Press Conference yesterday noon, Mr. Cordell Hull said that little information regarding the City of Flint had been received from Berlin or Moscow.

He learned in Washington last that the German Foreign Office officially advised the United States Government that no member of the City of Flint was taken when the ship was captured.

Halifax's Excuses For Russia Vague Defence Of Poland Invasion

LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuters).—Lord Halifax, the British Foreign Secretary, to-day spoke of the visit of M. Sarajoglu, the Turkish Foreign Minister, to Moscow.

Although the visit apparently produced no definite result, it was a matter of great satisfaction to the British Government that both Turkey and Russia had re-affirmed their traditional friendship.

Concerning the British pledge to Poland, he said that it would not be the policy of Britain or any other country to recoil from its pledges.

The Fault, Dear Brutus
It made no difference to the Poles whether they were invaded from the east or from the west. The last thing he would do would be to justify the action of Soviet Russia, and in particular, the time in which she took it.

But it was necessary to remember two things:
1.—She would never have taken the action she did if the German Government had not started it; and
2.—It was worth while to remember that the action of Soviet Russia had been to advance the Russian boundary to that recommended at Versailles by Lord Curzon.

France Rounds Up The Spies

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
PARIS, Oct. 26 (Reuters).—Charles Roos, former councillor of the Bas-Rhin Department, has been sentenced to death by court-martial on a charge of delivering important military secrets to German espionage agents.

A man named Lobstein, charged with espionage, was also sentenced to death, while three other spies were sentenced to five years hard labour.

ALLEGED FALSE PRETENCES

Charged with obtaining money by falsely pretending that he was authorized to collect for a charitable object, Tong Chung, 40, unemployed, appeared before Mr. Macpherson at Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning, when he was remanded for three days for further inquiries.

Tong is alleged to have obtained \$2 from Ho Kin at 34 Jordan Road, ground floor, on October 3, by saying it was for the remanding of an exhibition to raise funds for the San Chung School.

Det. Sgt. Johnston prosecuted.

Soviet Diet To Be Called

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
MOSCOW, Oct. 26 (UP).—It is officially announced that an extraordinary session of the Supreme Soviet will convene on October 31.

It is reported that the Committee of Defence, Mr. Voroshilov, will report on the Polish campaign.

Pleads Alleged Mui-Tsai Is Niece

Lam Chun, 25-year-old married woman, was charged before Mr. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning with keeping an unregistered mul-tai, at Stewart Road, Wanchoi. She denied the offence, saying the girl was her niece.

Mr. H. W. Fraser, of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, said the girl was registered at the S.C.A. in September, 1938, as a ward.

Yesterday, a woman inspector went to Lam's address to visit the girl, but was informed she was out. She insisted on seeing the child and entered the house where she saw the girl. On being questioned, the girl said she was a mul-tai, and alleged that she had on occasions been ill-treated. She slept with the amahs.

The case was adjourned until tomorrow, bail of \$100 being allowed.

JAPANESE ROB CHINESE JUNK

Lo King, master of junk No. T2408H, returned to the Colony yesterday and reported that his vessel was stopped by a Japanese trawler which fired on him near Lin Tin Island on September 29.

The junk was ordered by the Japanese to sail to Sam Mun, where the cargo of grass, valued at \$3,300, was transferred to another vessel.

Author Becomes War Correspondent

LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuters).—M. Andre Maurois, the well-known author and writer, is one of the army of French war correspondents who have now arrived at the British Army Headquarters in France.

Ogpu Search For Labour Conscripts

HELSINKI, Oct. 26 (UP).—Reports from Tallinn state that the Soviet authorities have asked the Ogpu (Russian secret police) for 2,000 prisoners to overcome the shortage of labour at the Baltic ports of Dagoo and Oesel, where the building of military bases has already begun.

TURKISH TROOPS NOT MASSING

ANKARA, Oct. 26 (Reuters).—The Turkish Government have issued a formal denial of reports alleging that Turkish troops are being massed on Turkey's eastern frontiers.

Colossal Vote For French Defence

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
PARIS, Oct. 26 (UP).—It is announced that the Cabinet will meet at the Elysee at 10 a.m. to-morrow.

M. Reynaud, the Minister of Finance, is reported to have told a secret session of the Senate Finance Committee that the 1940 budget includes war expenses of 349 milliard francs, of which 104 milliards are for the ordinary budget.

Prison For Constable Says He Fears Assault While In Gaoi

Convicted and sentenced to prison on a charge of extortion, P. C. Tsou Teh-yuan, aged 24, this morning asked Mr. R. A. D. Forrest, the magistrate if he could be placed in a separate cell from other prisoners, as he feared assault.

Tsou was sentenced to two months' hard labour for extorting one cent from Chan Sing a hawkier in Queen's Road West.

Evidence given during the case revealed that Chan had been given ten marked one-cent pieces by a Police Superintendent and told to squat at a site. A man, Ho Kum, was seen to approach Chan and accept something from him, and when arrested, a marked cent was found in his possession. He accused Tsou of having employed him to collect money from hawkers. Tsou denied having done so, and said he had never seen Ho before the day of his arrest.

Mr. M. A. da Silva appeared for Tsou and Det.-Sgt. Macpherson prosecuted.

Delivering judgment, his Worship said he had been much impressed by Mr. Silva's able and searching defence in defence of Tsou and had taken time to come to his decision. Evidence had been given that when Ho was collecting money, Tsou was on each occasion only a few paces behind him, and it was hardly possible that Tsou would not have noticed what Ho was doing.

Had A Good Record

Sgt. Macpherson said Tsou joined the Police Force in 1935, and had a good record.

Mr. Silva asked if the Police could inform him whether Tsou's conviction would inevitably lead to his dismissal from the Force. If that was so he asked his Worship to take that into consideration in inflicting a penalty.

Mr. L. Scarle, Assistant Superintendent of Police, said he thought it was safe to say that the conviction would inevitably result in Tsou's dismissal.

Tsou, after sentence was passed, made a request to be placed in a cell separate from other prisoners for fear of assault.

Gang Robs An Office Boy

Chan Pak-hung, 20-year-old office boy, was not upon and robbed by a gang of four or five men while walking in Boundary Street about 9.40 p.m. yesterday.

He raised the alarm by blowing his police whistle, and one man was arrested by Police Reservist No. 43 who was on duty in Prince Edward Road.

The arrested man was found to have the stolen watch in his possession. A female pen and \$4.50 in money was not recovered.

COMPLAINANT'S PLEA FOR DEF'T. Requests Magistrate To Pardon

When a theft case was heard by Mr. Edwards at Central Magistracy to-day, the complainant, a woman named Cheng Sin-kuan, 39, asked Mr. Edwards to pardon the defendant, Mok Chi-lung, 24, unemployed, as it was his first offence.

Mok's sentence of three months' hard labour was reduced to two.

Det.-Sergeant Wilcox said the goods stolen were \$200, a gold ring set with a diamond and a jade appendage set with a pearl.

At 9 a.m. yesterday, defendant visited complainant at her room at the Great Eastern Hotel, Connaught Road. Defendant knew complainant and her family and was in the habit of visiting them. After defendant had left yesterday, complainant discovered the money and jewellery missing from a suitcase.

Enquiries were made and defendant was traced to 674 Shanghai Street where he produced the stolen articles from his room.

Wanted To Join Army
After asking defendant to be pardoned, complainant added that accused had married but two weeks ago.

Defendant said he had wanted to join the Army in Hongkong but had been unsuccessful. He had been unable to find work. He had lost his job in the Revenue Department.

Defendant was sentenced to three months' hard labour, but this was reduced to two months, after complainant's plea and defendant's had been heard by the magistrate.

CHINESE ENTER SAMSHUI

SZEWUI, Oct. 27 (Central).—Samshui, the well-known West River port, was temporarily entered by Chinese troops a fortnight ago, but messages just reveal.

The Chinese captured the Japanese barracks, which are destroyed, and remained in the city for some hours before Japanese reinforcements were rushed up by gunboat, forcing a retreat.

Puppet President For Slovakia

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BRATISLAVA, Oct. 26 (UP).—The Slovak Parliament has unanimously elected Dr. Tiso as the "Republic's" first puppet President.

Hitler has wired his congratulations.

MAN INJURED IN CAR ACCIDENT

Mr. M. M. Moore, 271 Prince Edward Road, was involved in a traffic accident while driving a car in Sai Kung Road yesterday, when a man named Low Wei, 35, was knocked down and sustained a fractured collar bone. Low was sent to the Kowloon Hospital for treatment.

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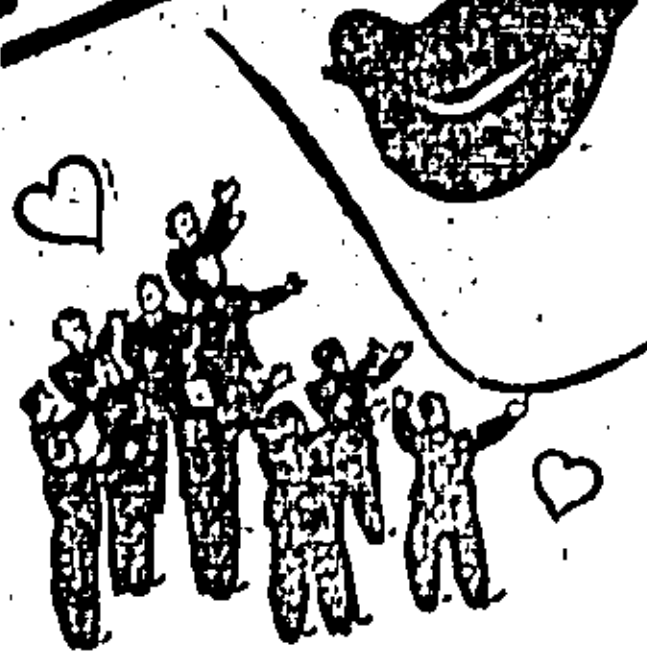
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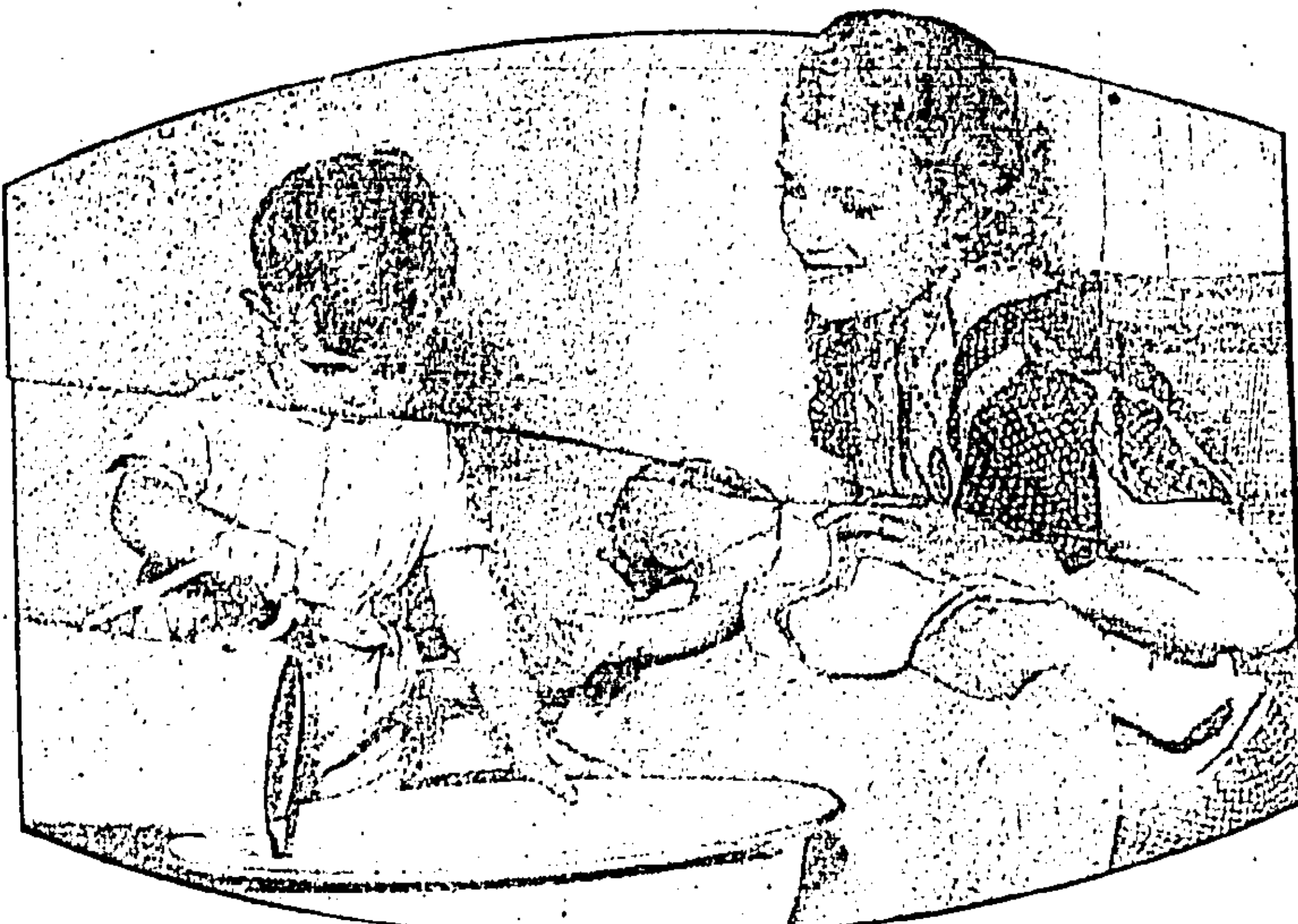
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GIRLS V. BOYS...

Which are Easier to Bring Up?



Sonny thinks that Baby Sister's bath needs a little more cold water.

RECENTLY I stood at a window with a friend watching her small son who was playing on the lawn below. There was a rustle in the border and the child jumped back in alarm as a small kitten emerged from the plants.

"I am such a timid little boy," said his mother, disappointment in her voice. "I had fixed my hopes on a girl before he was born, and instead I have a girlish little boy." There was no doubting the resentment in her tone. Such a state of affairs can have a disastrous effect upon the child, for little ones have an uncanny sense of atmosphere.

They know only too well whether they are really loved or simply tolerated from a mistaken sense of duty, and unhappy, indeed, is the lot of the youngster upon whose mind the fact is gradually impressed that he or she was unwanted from the start, a cause for disappointment. I would beg of you, therefore, to face baby's arrival with an open mind, prepared to welcome it whether it turns out to be boy or girl, otherwise your little one will be forced to face life with a far more serious handicap than a physical disability.

Patience and medical skill can do so much to overcome bodily imperfections but nothing can replace a welcome generous in love and thanksgiving that unto you a child is born. Here is a selection of extracts from readers' letters asking advice on family matters, together with my replies.

Ugly Duckling

We had set our minds on a son who would inherit the business which I control. Instead we had a really plain little girl, although my wife and I are generally considered a handsome couple.

YOU made a mistake in the first place in planning out your "son's" life before he was born. I have seen that tend to disaster time and time again. There was evidently confusion in your minds between founding a

family and providing a successor to your business; the two aims were not identical. Remember, however, that well-trained women have controlled large business concerns before now and it is possible that your daughter may later develop a valuable flair for this type of life-work.

As regards her looks, I do not need to remind you of the nursery tale of the Ugly Duckling. Are you quite sure that either you or your wife bore out the promise of your good looks in early years? It is very likely that your daughter will be bonny in ten years' time. Do not overlook the fact that intelligence and humour in a face are to be set far above regular features and a dazzling complexion.

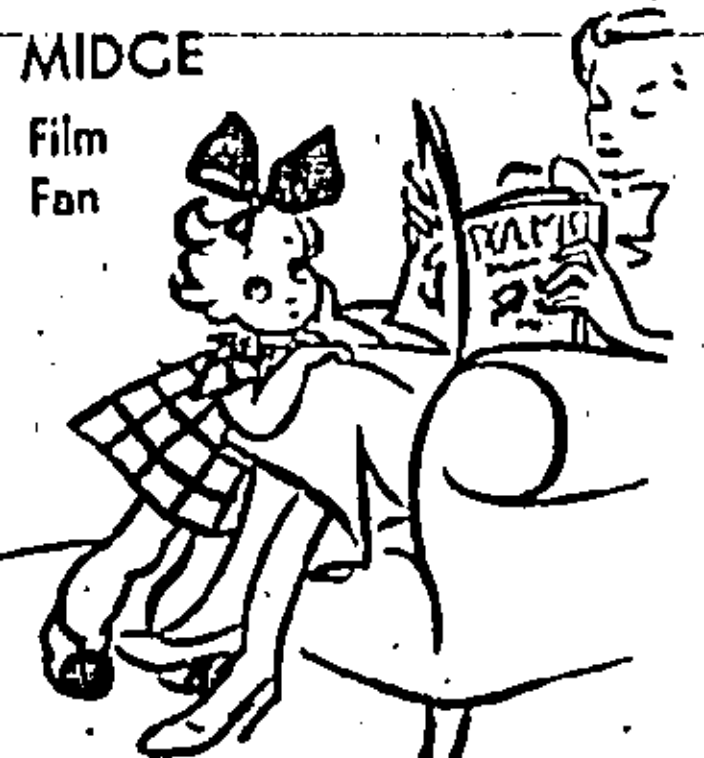
Cause for Anxiety

My mother assures me that boy babies are more difficult to rear than girls. Certainly my daughter never looked back from the start, but the boy is giving us anxiety.

APPROXIMATELY seven boys are born to every five girls nowadays. As there is a definite shortage

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Add 1½ tablespoon of apples to 1½ cup of boiling water, and cook over hot water, stirring occasionally. Add one-third cup of sugar and a pinch of salt. Core, pare and slice four cooking apples. Place about two-thirds of the apple slices in a baking dish, add the apple mixture, and top with the remaining apples.

Cover and bake in a hot oven (400 degrees) for 30 minutes or less until the apples are tender. Serve with cream, if desired.

By
Nursery
Expert

Triple Loss

I had a daughter who is healthy, then came three sons who died in infancy. Now I am expecting another child. Is it impossible for me to have a healthy boy?

FROM it if you are prepared to give yourself and the child a fair chance. I feel, however, that you lead far too strenuous a life for an expectant mother.

When you were not so this baby daughter who did well, but you cannot expect to be constantly on the go during the waiting months and again a fortnight after the child's birth without sacrifice.

Frankly, I feel that you are setting your work before your family. If you want to have no further disappointments as regards your children I advise you to hand over to someone else now and to devote yourself to leading a quiet life for the next couple of years. Your child needs your care whether boy or girl.

of men in adult life it is clear that boys are not reared so successfully as girls. However, thanks to better pre-natal conditions and to the progress in infant care far more boys survive nowadays than they did at the close of the last century.

The fact remains that the male is more highly strung and more inclined to suffer from nervous reaction than the female, who has generally the better endurance where hard physical conditions pertain.

Again there are certain illnesses which only affect boys and, though their occurrence is only occasional, it cannot be disregarded when one is attempting to explain why fewer boys than girls survive.

As a general rule one can rest assured that, if the boy baby has an absolutely regular routine and protection from sudden noise, excitement and visitors, he is likely to have an excellent chance of doing quite as well as his sister.

Childless Wife

We are childless and are wondering whether it would be best to adopt a boy or a girl baby.—Hampstead.

GIRL babies are far more sought after for adoption for two reasons. Some people think that a girl is likely to "offer better" companionship when she grows up, though in those days of careers for girls this does not always prove to be the case.

Secondly, people feel that a boy's education will be more expensive than a girl's, but, again, this depends entirely on the career chosen.

As your husband is anxious to have someone to share his outdoor hobbies I would advise you to consider adopting a son. You are more likely to be suited quickly and, as his mother, you will probably find the young man's protective presence comforting in years to come.

You will only be offered a healthy child and should have no great difficulty in rearing him.

Baked Ham And Pineapple

A PIECE of ham, cooked in American fashion, becomes a luxury dish with very little trouble and the minimum of expense.

The American housewife picks a piece of fairly lean ham. This she puts in a fireproof dish, and pours over it the juice from a small tin of pineapple rings. On top of the meat she sprinkles two tablespoonsful of soft brown sugar and then sticks in about eight or ten cloves.

Into a slow oven goes the dish, uncovered, and occasionally it comes out for basting with the pineapple juice. Altogether it is cooked for two hours, with the oven always between slow and moderate. Then, about twenty minutes before serving, the slices of pineapple are laid on top and heated through.

While the oven is on at slow, she cooks a pudding with the same heat, and probably a scalloped vegetable, which is simply a vegetable cut up and put in layers in a fireproof dish, with layers of breadcrumbs and spots of butter between. Already-cooked potatoes are served in a shallow dish in the oven, with butter added, and, even a little more time, they cook just as well and attractively as in the frying pan.

Costs looking like dresses identify the autumn fashions. Here is a rough navy woollen coat that suggests the "shirtwaist and skirt" idea in the all-tucked top with collarless neckline finished with a huge silver brooch.

Ham cooked in the American fashion is excellent eaten hot; but if you buy a bigger piece of ham and cook it in this way, it can be served cold with salad next day. To repeat the fine pineapple flavour, add a ring or two of the lined fruit (drained, of course) to the ordinary salad of lettuce, tomato, and cucumber, and you will have served two interesting meals with very little labour in a hot kitchen.

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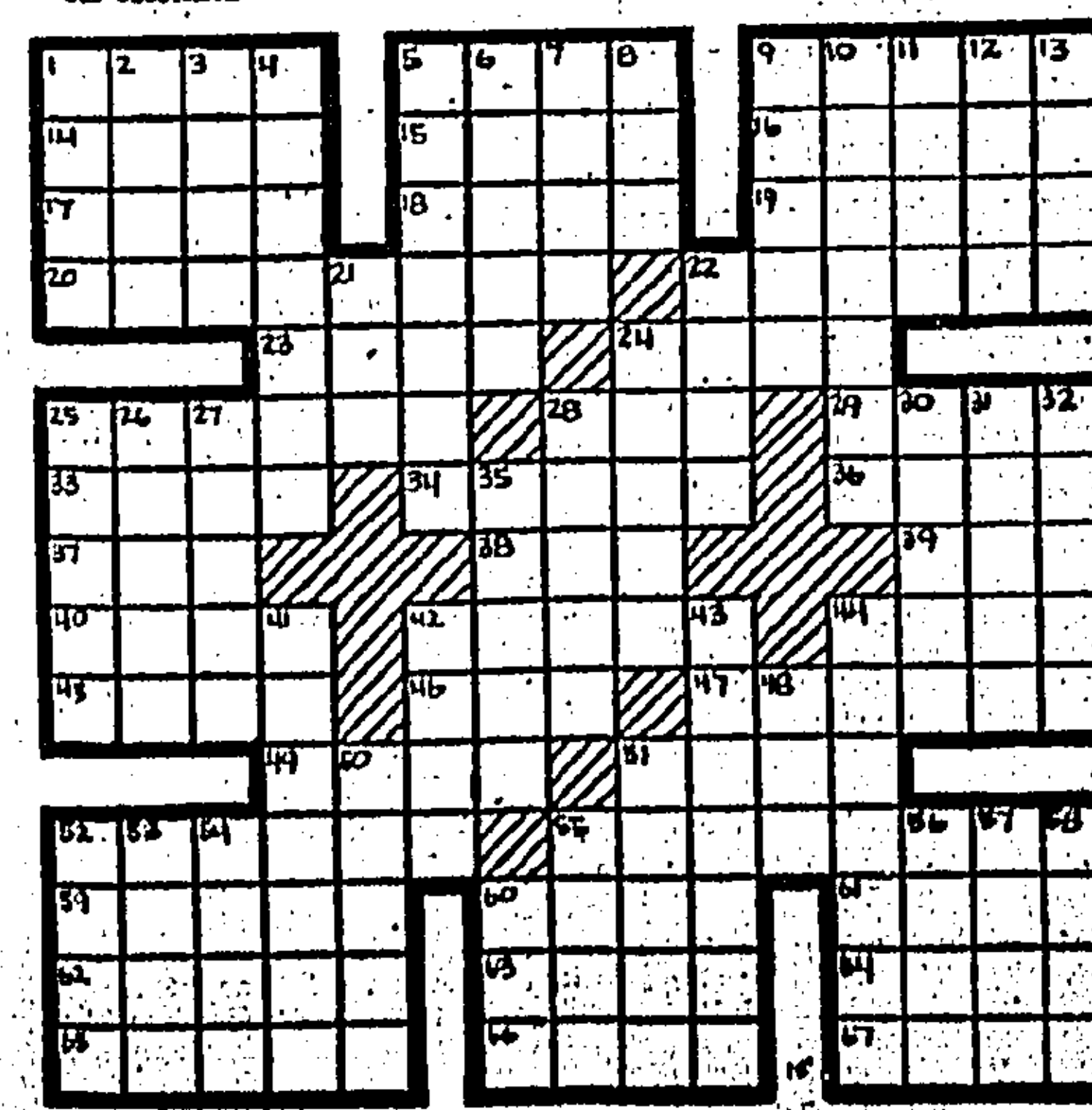
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Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS
1—Years of life (pl.)
2—Former owner of
3—Land that has been
4—Contest for recreation
5—Common ailment
6—Vegetable substance
7—Used as aid in
8—With strong appetite
9—Mark left by factory
10—Trace of decay
11—Kind of flower
12—Chin by name
13—European gods
14—Valley of
15—Form of barium
16—Fruit pulse (Anglo-Indian)
17—Price
18—Wild or of Caribbe
19—French river
20—Fruit in chair
21—Day of certain trees
22—Crowd
23—Too bad
24—Walking sticks
25—Fruit article
26—For fear that
27—South American
28—Country in California
29—Without feet
30—Practice birth
31—Cherry candy
32—Moved in continuous succession
33—Deserted
34—Moslem official
35—Magistrate
36—Abode of dead
37—Ship to man
38—Navy sailor
39—Makers four some
40—Many sicknesses
41—Sound caused by
42—Respiratory disease
43—Fundamentals
44—Fruit of woman
45—Parting to roster
46—Lovers
47—Larger female
48—Drops
49—African antelope
50—African postage to
51—Tate heat from
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53—Shape ideas
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NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

TELEPHONE MYSTERY

Germany Cut Off From Neighbours

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—Telephone communications with Germany have been interrupted since noon.

The reason is unknown.

It is learned from Brussels that telephone communication between Belgium and Germany is also interrupted.

Telephone communications between Germany and Scandinavia is also interrupted.

Interruptions appear to be due to the stiffening of censorship.

Telegraphic communications are open.

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Douglas Fairbanks Jr. and Lionel Atwill represent the opposite extremes of government—ruthless regimentation vs. individualism—in their current Universal picture, "The Sun Never Sets," (the first American picture selected for the Blackpool Conference, London 1939). Fairbanks' eventual conquest of Atwill supplies much of the tension and excitement in this story of the British Colonial Civil Service.

CORRECTION

In the quotation yesterday of alleged Soviet demands on Sweden and Denmark, published in the London "News-Chronicle", it was inadvertently stated in the headlines that the countries affected were Norway and Denmark. The use of the name Norway was an error.

Racing Review

(By "Capt. Foster")

(Continued from Page 6.)

fred, who finished behind Chitlren. I am inclined to think that the mare is still a greenhorn. Going up the rock, I noticed that the jockey had to urge Winfred, and it was after a little coaxing that she got hold of the bit. The mare was not prominent when the field came round the bend, but Winfred was soon among the front rank after passing the distance post, and she went under by three-quarters of a length. It should be borne in mind that it was her third outing and the trip over a course from the two mile post, once round and in, was a fast one, the whole time being 1.55 1/2 and the last mile was in 1.40 1/2.

Ballarat Handicap

A GREAT Time piloted by Mr. Encarnacio failed once again to score a win in the Ballarat Handicap for "C" class Australian ponies, but I raise my hat to a Roaring Time and Mr. "Vic" Needa, securing the first position in the frame.

We all know that A Roaring Time had performed a few decent gallops during the early mornings, but nobody would deny that this brown gelding had also a "kink." It was after a sequence of three unplaced outings that A Roaring Time came into his own, and with the assistance of Mr. Needa, who has a golden gift of patience with "stinkers" as they are called, the combination romped home first in the Ballarat Handicap.

Judging by the returns issued by the racing Club there was no doubt the great confidence placed in the gelding, because it was ridden by a Shanghai jockey, who generally has a public following, or perhaps the punters were "in the know." The amusing part was that A Roaring Time was considered by the men of the turf to be a better animal than the stable companion A Great Time, and the former paid only \$26.10 for a win.

THRILLING FINISH

A "any" rate the most thrilling finish of the afternoon was seen in this event, when the issue was fought out by five ponies, in fact, a blanket could have covered them.

There were 16 runners. The field moved off quickly when the tape shot upwards, and it was certainly a credit to the starter Mr. Potts. Pumpernickel was leading the pack at the Royal Navy Pavilion, and was followed by Stratherrick, Baffin Bay, A Great Time and the rest in the rear. After passing the Hongkong Football Club stand, A Great Time took up the running, chased by Baffin Bay, and at this juncture Pumpernickel dropped to third position. I thought that was the end of the last named pony, but over the hill, Pumpernickel rallied again after a fine breather, and Mr. Jessen's candidate was once again in the picture.

Coming down the hill Stratherrick was not going too well and the mare was losing ground. There were at least six ponies well together coming round the corner and the first to catch my eyes was Baffin Bay, whose colour (pink; green hoops) could not be mistaken at a distance.

ANXIOUS MOMENTS

At the head of the home stretch and Pumpernickel, A Great Time and Amber II took up the challenge, and they gave the leader some anxious moments. Baffin Bay did not respond with his usual burst of speed when pressed by Mr. Black. Meanwhile, A Roaring Time came with a late run, which was one of Mr. Needa's usual spectacular finishes, but it was enough to give anyone a heart attack. Despite two lengths' handicap at the distance post or thereabout, A Roaring Time responded brilliantly to Mr. Needa's vigorous riding, and he ran past Pumpernickel and A Great Time to win by only half a length, the same separating the second and third ponies.

Baffin Bay and Amber II were very close up, and I now see from the Official Results that Baffin Bay was given fourth. Mr. Dunbar's candidate could not have lost the third position by more than a neck, and Amber II was not very far behind. It was certainly a grand finish and all the jockeys deserved a bouquet.

Connaught Handicap

MR. G. Trevorton, who piloted Mr. Lovely Star to victory in the Connaught Handicap (second position) for "C" class China ponies,

NAZI RAID DEBACLE

Seven Out Of 12 Planes Lost

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry state that at least seven out of 12 German aircraft failed to return to their base after attacking the British convoy in the North Sea on Saturday.

The German losses may yet prove even greater.

The Air Ministry, after the action of the Air Force, only claimed four shot down. These were actually seen to crash.

Three Forced Down

British pilots believed that at least three more would never return home, but there was at first lack of conclusive evidence.

The evidence is now available, for members of three German crews have since been rescued, one by a trawler, another by a destroyer far out in the North Sea and the third by a Danish steamer.

GOIF STARTING TIMES

The following are the Golf starting times arranged by the Royal Hongkong Golf Club for Fanning on Sunday:

OLD COURSE

1.16 A. McKellar, W. C. Shewan.
1.20 C. D. N. Walker, L. M. Wylie.
1.24 F. A. Richmond, A. B. Purves.
1.28 P. E. Anns, E. J. Ferguson.
1.32 D. Humphreys, P. S. Delany.
1.36 A. M. G. A. A. Macdonald.
1.40 C. Gardner, A. M. Mack.
1.44 A. D. Humphreys, E. C. Price.
1.48 R. Littlejohn, R. Lov.
1.52 R. Morris, H. S. Itca.
1.56 C. F. Marshall, C. A. L. Rickett.
2.00 J. Harrison, A. A. Annett.
2.04 F. D. Hunter, I. H. Geare.
2.08 J. M. Pearson, J. W. Mayhew.
2.12 J. Propriet, W. Hewitt.
2.16 L. M. S. Lloyd, G. C. Vorrail.
2.20 M. A. Johnson, G. Langston.
2.24 J. S. Jobb, R. Young.
2.28 J. T. Smith, J. W. MacLeod.
2.32 Col. E. H. Major, Temple.
2.36 B. Murphy, Major Temple.

NEW COURSE

9.28 N. P. Fox, R. C. Stewart.
9.32 Major Johnstone, Major Week.
9.36 Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Dennis.
Note.—The "Belle" Car originally timed to leave Kowloon at 8.25 will now leave at 8.27 a.m.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS

AJAX: That's why we published the map.—Ed.
F.B.M.: Your letter should be addressed to "Reuters".—Ed.
Solomon: Let sleeping dogs lie.—Ed.

was the only apprentice rider in a field of six runners, and it was this boy's first win of the season. This griffin had cost Kong Bros. a lot of money, and he was a "kept-over" Derby candidate since 1930.

A salient feature of the success was the master stroke in which the novice slipped through the hands of more experienced jockeys, and when they realised that Lovely Star had established a terrible lead, it was then too late to open up full speed ahead.

Lovely Star made the running at the release of the gate, and going up the Black Rock he had many lengths of lead. Down the hill the other runners began to wake up, but Lovely Star was never headed and he won eventually by two good clear lengths.

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FINNISH OPTIMISM

M. Tanner Returning To Moscow

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
HELSINKI, Oct. 26 (UP).—The Minister of Finance, M. Tanner, told the press that he expects to return to Moscow next Sunday evening.

He said that he remained optimistic. "The case has gone forward a bit," he added.

He described the Kremlin sessions as being cordial and friendly, with M. Stalin doing most of the talking for the Soviet side.

M. Tanner does not expect to make any additions to the delegation.

Finland Cannot Yield
HELSINKI, Oct. 26 (Reuters).—The Finnish Foreign Office spokesman says that the Soviet demands include certain points on which Finland cannot yield.

No indication of what those demands are is given, but the Finnish Foreign Minister reiterates that Finland is determined to maintain her independence.

The Finnish delegation to Moscow will not leave Helsinki until the government has fully considered the Soviet demands and decided on the course to adopt.

Meanwhile, besides laying mines, Finnish defence measures include a blackout which will be held in Helsinki to-morrow.

Red Espionage
HELSINKI, Oct. 26 (UP).—Several Communists have been arrested on espionage charges in North Finland. The cases will be tried at Vasa.

Stock Markets In Good Form

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuters).—Kaffirs again were the strongest feature to-day at the Stock Exchange in generally good markets.

After a hesitancy, gilt-edged securities were firmer on the announcement of the reduction of the bank rate from three to two per cent.

Base metal shares attracted buyers, while home industrials were quietly steady.

Silver advanced sharply on speculative buying following the import.

Wall Street was firm.

DANES INTERN NAZI PLANE

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 26 (Reuters).—Danish authorities to-day confiscated a German pursuit plane which landed in Northern Schleswig after the pilot had lost his way.

The pilot and crew are interned. The pursuit plane was from the "Red Devil Squadron," a continuation of the famous Rittföhen squadron of the last war.

Madras Assembly Backs Congress

MADRAS, Oct. 26 (Reuters).—The Legislative Assembly, by 153 votes to 27, has passed a motion disapproving the Viceroy's declaration. The motion also expresses confidence in the Ministry and approves of its intention to resign.

Members of the Muslim League Party walked out of the Assembly when the Speaker ruled out of order the Party's amendment.

Another Explanation

New York, Oct. 26. A fifth version of the sinking of the Athenia is given by the New York Daily News. According to officials of two German salvage companies and a German diplomatic official, the liner was sunk because she was carrying £12,000,000 worth of gold bullion.

It is reported that German salvage companies marked the spot where the Athenia sank as "the world's richest wreck." It was stated before that the liner sank in water so deep that divers could not get to her.

King Sees Shells Manufactured

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Oct. 26 (Reuters).—His Majesty the King to-day saw some mighty munition works turning out shells, bullets and guns at a rate many times faster than the most active tempo achieved in the last war. The King learned that our quality of shells is considerably better than the best German or other European manufacture and more plants are on the way.

LATE NEWS

3,000 Chinese Postmen Go On Strike

SHANGHAI, Oct. 27 (Dome).—Approximately 3,000 Chinese employees of the Municipal Council Post Office started a surprise general strike yesterday evening after their demands for special allowances have been rejected by the S.M.C. authorities.

The Post Office is being strictly guarded by the Municipal Council police.

Fatshan Salvage

Under the direction of Mr. A. MacIndoe and Captain Thirwell, of the salvage tug Taikoo, good progress is being made on the salvage of the Fatshan, which went ashore on Lin Tin Island earlier this week. It is hoped to refloat the Fatshan and tow her into Hongkong over the week-end. She will be docked at Taikoo for repairs.

STILL FRIENDLY

Japanese Envoy Reassures German Government

Tokyo, Oct. 26. On the eve of his departure for home, Lieut.-General Hiroshi Oshima, the retiring Japanese Ambassador to Germany, called on Herr Hitler at the German Chancellery on Tuesday afternoon.

A Berlin dispatch to the Asahi Shimbun claims that Ambassador Oshima assured the German Fuehrer that friendly relations still existed between Japan and Germany and that Japanese would entertain no ill feelings against the Reich in consequence of the German-Soviet agreements and the European war.

The Berlin message further understands that Ambassador Oshima thanked the German Fuehrer for his support for Japan's programme for the construction of a new order in East Asia.

Ambassador Oshima was ordered home by the Foreign Office on October 6. It is believed that Mr. Saburo Kurusu, at present Japanese Ambassador at Brussels, will replace General Oshima at Berlin.

REDS IN INDO-CHINA

More Than a Hundred Arrested

Following the banning of the Communist party in France, measures against Communists have been taken in French Indo-China.

The Governor-General, states L'Ophion (Saigon), issued a proclamation prohibiting any form of activity intended, either directly or indirectly, to assist the Third Communist International, or organisations controlled by it.

All literature concerning the Third International is banned, and penalties up to five years' imprisonment and heavy fines may be imposed for breaches of the regulations.

L'Ophion states that suspected Communists in Indo-China are being arrested and in the central prison there are at present more than 100 Annamite Communists. Two women are among the suspects.

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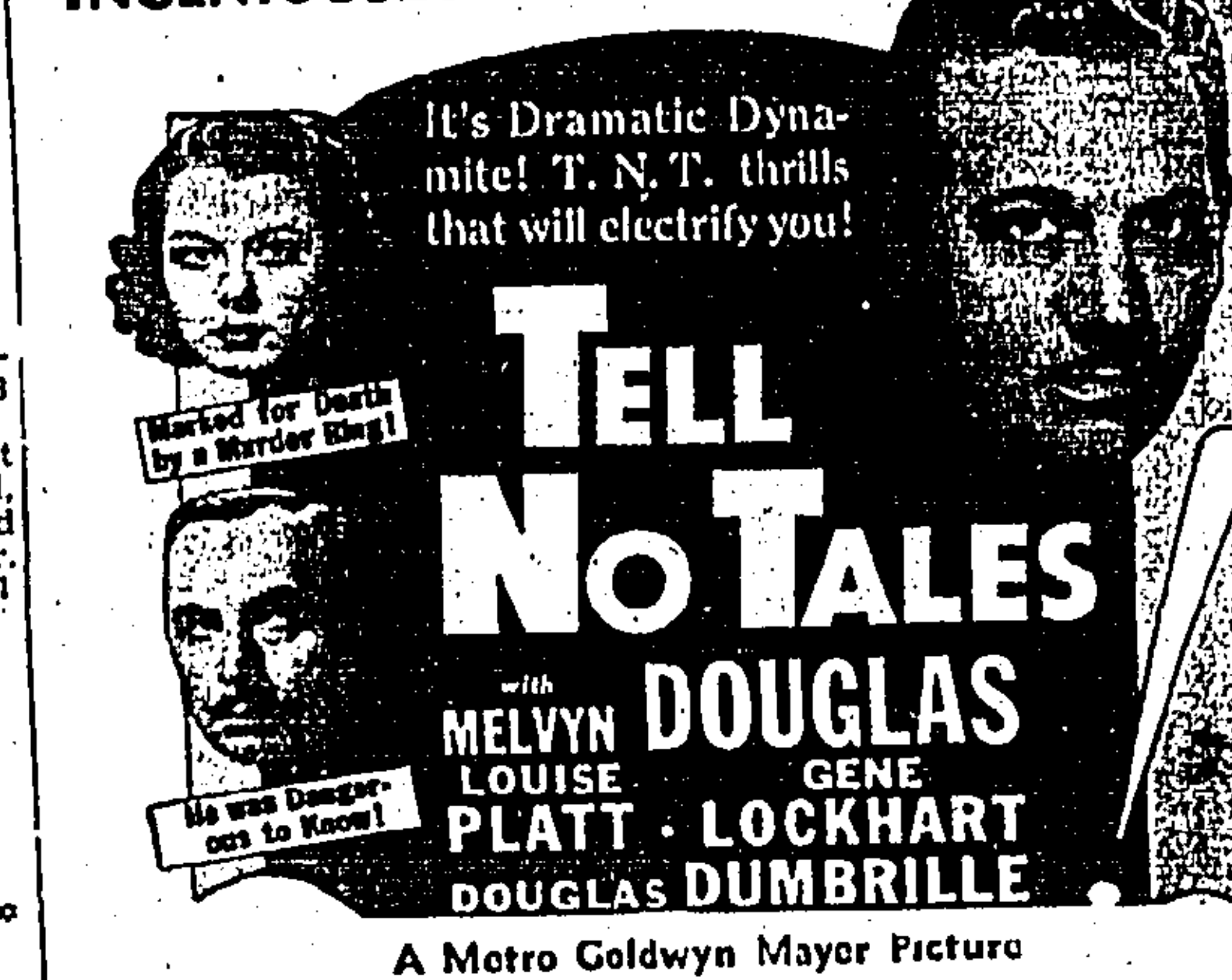
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